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Dutch-Indonesian Agreement Signed

But Dark Clouds Still Hover Over Java's Horizon

BATAVIA, March 25. (Reuter): Nineteen months of revolution, bloodshed and protracted negotiations ended in Indonesia today with the signing of the Dutch-Indonesian Agreement providing for the creation of a United States of Indonesia.

The agreement, drawn up at Linggadjati, near Cheribon, Java, four months ago, provides for "de facto" recognition of the Republic of Java, Sumatra and Madura, and formation by 1949 of a United States of Indonesia which will enter into a Union under the Dutch Crown.

RECEPTION BY VAN MOOK

Dr. Sultan Shahriar, the Indonesian Premier, and the Indonesian Delegation changing their plans at the last minute, attended a reception given by Dr. Hubertus Van Mook, Lieutenant Governor-General of the Netherlands East Indies, and his colleagues. Earlier, an Indonesian spokesman had said that they did not intend to attend the ceremony owing to the still unsettled military operations at Modjokerto and the inflamed mood of the people in East Java.

FESTIVE BATAVIA

This historic day was celebrated throughout Batavia however, the Netherlands East Indies Government declaring a half holiday for the occasion. In several parts of the city there were "slamatans" (Indonesian traditional feasts) and fireworks were flown specially from Singapore. To-morrow there will be Church services and public prayer meetings and schools and public offices will remain closed.

The signing ceremony today took place in Dr. Van Mook's Palace in Batavia before 80 diplomats and special guests. Besides Dr. Van Mook, Dr. Willem Schermerhorn, Chairman of the Dutch Commission-General to the Netherlands East Indies, and M. Max Van Poll, the Catholic Party member of the Commission-General, signed for the Netherlands. The signatories on behalf of Indonesia were, Dr. Sultan Shahriar, Prime Minister, Dr. S. K. Gani, Minister of Economy and Messrs. Room and Santoso.

Speaking after the ceremony, Dr. Van Mook said: "If the signatures appended a moment ago shall have in history the significance hoped for by the signatories, the ceremony forms the end of an era.

"It was an era in which the two nations that have entered into alliance for co-operation became seriously separated from each other through war and have had to find their way back to each other."

LEST DISTRUST END

Now the times of quarrelling and negotiating were passed, Dr. Van Mook declared, and times of friendship and co-operation had come. In these first days it would be difficult for all to fix their line of conduct and their place in the new situation. "May we have the heart to tackle the work firmly, joyfully and without preconceived distrust or mental reservation", he said.

Egotism or sensitiveness on matters of prestige must not be allowed to stand in the way. "We can spoil this experiment by hesitation and mistrust", Dr. Van Mook warned. "We can make it an example to the world by joining hands and by putting once for all an end to this period of strife and dispute."

The lengthy sequel to the war had brought disappointment and bitterness, but that now had to be conquered quickly. "Let us start the work of peace with conviction and confidence", he said.

"There can now come an end to all local quarrels and strife that have so far retarded or frustrated reconstruction. From to-day onward public utterances can and must on both sides drop the note of distrust, insinuation and hostility."

SOLEMN DOCUMENT

Dr. Schermerhorn described the ceremony as "a solemn moment in the history of the two nations and one of great importance because it marks a definite choice of the road we both wish to take, namely, the road of peaceful co-operation on the basis of free will and equality." Nobody doubted, he said, that even this road involved difficulties and dangers. Still these two responsible Governments preferred the inevitable uncertainty of this path to the road of mere force, a road that would be rendered impracticable by blood and tears and that would have obscured every prospect of a fruitful future.

SIGH OF RELIEF

Dr. Shahriar described the agreement as a sign of clearer spirit and clearer atmosphere in Indonesia. But there was still a great deal of uncertainty, doubt and distrust about it in the minds of the Indonesian people. It was still unclear to a majority of them what the future held in store.

Indonesians still stood face to face with sons of Holland, guns in hand, for killing, looking upon each other as a threat or as an enemy to be annihilated. The sky was still dark and clouded, but with the signing there had come a sigh of relief from the troubled breast of Indonesia. It was possible to look forward; there were indications that it might be possible to forget the past and concentrate on hopes for the time ahead.

"The Agreement we are signing now is meant as the first step in our efforts to liberate ourselves from darkness in this country and to bring back a clear and healthy atmosphere of objectivity in which our cry "Merdeka" (freedom) will no longer constitute a threat to other human beings, but a cry for humanity."

GREETINGS TO KILLEARN

The two Delegations afterwards sent a joint cable to Lord Villearn. The British Special Commissioner in South-East Asia, stating: "In this historic moment when friendship between the Netherlands and the Indonesian peoples has been solemnly reaffirmed, the Delegations desire to convey jointly to Your Excellency their appreciation of the important contribution which Your Lordship has made to the reconciliation which has now resulted in the establishment of a firm basis for durable co-operation between the Netherlands and Indonesia".

Lord Killearn had earlier sent messages of congratulation and good wishes from Singapore to both the Dutch and the Indonesian signatories Reuter's correspondent reported from Singapore.

"No one hopes more ardently than the British people that this agreement will open a new chapter of friendship, prosperity and happiness to both "parties", he said:

NO ILLUSIONS IN LONDON

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent writes that the Agreement expresses a definite intention on both sides to work out a Federal Constitution for Holland and her possessions overseas, and as such, it is widely recognised to represent a great step forward. There are, however, no illusions in London about the distance still to be travelled before full and stable constitutional harmony is reached.

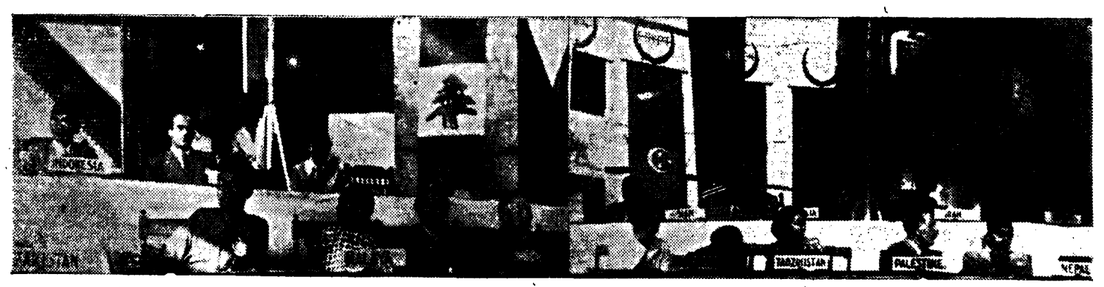
A Foreign Office spokesman commenting today on the achievement said: "We warmly welcome the signing of the Agreement and hope that various misunderstandings which have arisen are now things of the past and that the signing will be an augury of a long and happier association beetween the two partners. No doubt fulfilment of the agreement will be of mutual advantage in their task of resumption of normal trade and export from South-East Asia which will be of tremendous benefit both to the East and West".

IMMEDIATE ISSUE

The most immediate issue of principle, which the negotiators will have to solve, will be the conflicting interpretations of the Linggadjati Agreement placed upon it recently by the Dutch and the Indonesian Governments. Probably the most pressing practical issue is the disputed possession of local rubber plantations which gave rise to the Dutch blockade of the Javanese coast with consequent friction with the British and the United States Governments over the stopping of merchantships owned by their nationals.

How speedily these questions can be resolved depends on how far the atmosphere of confidence can be maintained between the negotiators and the best grounds for optimism are seen here in the market renewal of goodwill in Batavia which immediately preceded the signature.

ALL ASIA MEETS IN NEW DELHI



Panoramic view of Asian Relations Conference at New Delhi.

Delhi Eclipses Moscow

BROCKWAY ON SIGNIFICANCE OF ASIAN CONFERENCE

Delegates Set To Work: C. V. Raman's Thrilling Offer

NEW DELHI, March 25 (U. P. I.): Out of the five round table groups, into which the delegates to the Inter-Asian Relations Conference are proposed to be split up, three were formed this morning, namely, (1) racial problems group, (2) group to deal with transition from colonial to national economy, and (3) cultural problems group.

The cultural problem group which met this morning in the lounge of the Constitution House elected the leader of the Siamese Delegation as its Chairman and Sir R. P. Masani as Vice-Chairman.

The leader of the Ceylonese Delegation was elected chairman of the group dealing with the question of transition from colonial to national economy.

The first topic discussed yesterday related to ways and means for developing scientific co-operation between the different Asiatic countries. Pandit Hridayanath Kunzru, Dr. Shayamaprasad Mukherjee, Pandit Nehru, Sir C. V. Raman and also the Chinese, Burmese, Egyptian, Palestine and the Soviet delegates participated in the deliberations.

BURMA'S WAIL

It is understood the representative of Burma on this group referred to the complete destruction of the scientific apparatus and other equipments on the Rangoon University through bombing during the last war. It was further stated that despite fervent appeals, even England had so far failed to supply those apparatus and scientific instruments with the result that higher scientific education particularly was at standstill in Burma at present. The Burmese delegates, therefore, appealed to India and other Asiatic countries to help Burma out of this difficulty.

A THRILLING OFFER

Sir C. V. Raman thereupon is reported to have made a stirring offer to Burma. He, it is understood, offered to go to Rangoon and stay there for three months placing his services at the disposal of the Rangoon University without charging any remuneration whatsoever. During this period he proposed, after surveying the exact position there, to prepare a scheme for rehabilitation of the scientific education in the Rangoon University.

This offer from a savant of Sir C. V. Raman's eminence is reported to have thrilled all members of the cultural group.

The colonial group discussed three issues, namely, (1) whether an Asian bloc in economic matters is desirable or not from the point of view of self-sifficiency, (2) the relative position of industry and agriculture in planning for development of national economy, and (3) the institution of a borrowers' council in order to negotiate loans from abroad. The discussions will continue.

Brockway On Significance Of Inter-Asian Conference

LONDON, March 25. (U.P.I.): "Perhaps history will prove that the Inter-Asian Conference now taking place in New Delhi is a bigger historic occasion than the Foreign Ministers' Conference in Moscow", said Mr. Frenner Brockway in an exclusive interview with the "United Press of India".

Mr. Brockway said: "I am not only an anti-imperialist, but also an international socialist. I fervently hope that the socialists present among the Inter-Asian Conference delegates will take this opportunity to investigate the possibilities of forming a Federation of Asiatic Socalist Parties. A great chance, following Pandit Nehru's lead to form an Asiatic Socialist Federation, will open the way for a truly international socalist movement. For this reason, I consider the event in Delhi so significant".

FRENCH BETRAYAL

In this connection, Mr. Brockway disclosed that on Friday last he sent a cable to the French Socialist Party to oppose their Government's policy in regard to Viet Nam. "Everyone now knows how the French Socialists voted supporting the policy of repression in Indo-China. I have no hesitation in saying that it is a betrayal of international socialism. I want to record that though often in the past I have been critical of the Soviet Government and of Communist Party of France, for their heroic stand for national freedom movements, compel admiration. I have no doubt that the Communist Party of France deserve grateful thanks of all sincere Socialists and friends of Viet Nam".

Mr. Brockway held that freedom of India, Viet Nam and other eastern countries and formation of a strong socialist movement in Asia and all working in close co-operation are the essential needs of the hour to resist the newly rising imperialist aggression. Security of less powerful nations and the peace of the world depend on [illegible]

BR. TROOPS FOR STATES

Princes Conspire Against Free India?

SENSATIONAL LONDON REPORTS

LONDON, March 25 (I.P.A.): Evidence accumulates that some Indian States are playing power politics, according to views current here. Their representatives here are exploring the possibilities of employing British troops in States Services; it is reported that these representatives are also contacting ranking unofficial Americans intimate with United States Army Headquarters.

A columnist in a London daily suggests that the Maharaja of Kashmir, the State bordering on Soviet controlled territory, may decide to detain a strong British garrison.

American offer of financial help to Nepal, another strategic outpost State, is confirmed by the forthcoming special visit of United States diplomatic Mission to Nepal to conclude a commercial agreement and exchange diplomatic and consular representatives.

This confirms the suggestion of possible tripartite arrangements between the British, American and some independent or semi-independent Indian States for assistance. Strong rumours that Britain and America (along with Australia) would also like to make arrangements with certain Indian coastline States with a view to future co-operation in Commonwealth defence.

Paraguay's Capital Cut Off From Outside World

BUENOS AIRES, March 25 (Reuter). Insurgent Headquarters in Paraguay, where the civil war has now lasted 17 days, claimed today that their forces are advancing unopposed on Rosario, 62 miles north of Asuncion, the Capital.

Reports from Asuncion, now virtually cut off from the outside world, indicate that a real drama is going on inside President Morinigo's Palace.

The Colorado Party which hitherto supported the President, is stated to be now split on the issue whether he should stay and fight or hand over the Government to the Military Junta. If true, the reports mean that President Morinigo's last support is crumbling.

The tenseness of the situation in the Paraguayan Capital was illustrated by decisions of the Argentine river, rail and air lines to suspend services to Asuncion.

Dodero Company has withdrawn its river steamers on the Asuncion run and rail and air services now reach only as far as the frontier towns of Posadas and Formosa respectively.

NINE PERSONS KILLED IN ASSAM POLICE FIRING

SHILLONG, March 25 (A. P. I.): Nine persons, including one woman, killed and eight persons were injured as a result of police firing in Barpeta sub-division, said Mr. Basanta Kumar Das, Home Minister, in the Assam Legislative Assembly to-day when the attention of the House was drawn by Prof. P. Sarwan to incidents in Mandia Grazing Reserve.

The Home Minister said that as a result of propaganda encouraging deliberate aggression on professional grazing reserves which had been clear of unauthorised squatters under an agreement reached between all parties in July, 1945, such encroachment took place on March 18 and 21 in two reserves—Fulora and Mandia—in Barpeta sub-division.

In the latter case alone, as it appears from reports received, actual violence was shown to the officials whose business it was to check disobedience of the orders of clearance and the police parties protecting them. The police were menaced in such a manner that they had to open fire with the result that four persons were killed and four others wounded.

The police then retreated to their camp when they were attacked by a large crowd and again had to resort to fire causing the death of five persons—one of them unfortunately a woman—and four others were injured.

"At both reserves", said the Home Minister, "the cultivators' defiance of the settlement rules appears to be still in progress. The Government of Assam deeply regret that lives should have been lost through defiance of misguided people apparently acting under a false doctrine which has been widely preached by interested persons. The facts which will no doubt come under judicial inquiry, cannot, therefore, be elaborated at this juncture, but continuance of such unjustifiable practices must involve constant danger of repetition of such lamentable occurrences. Government sincerely trust that all good citizens will do what lies in them to discourage any challenge to authority which the Government in no case can abrogate.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

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New York, March 25.

Previous Closing	35.39
Today's Opening	35.37
Difference	—.13
Today's Closing	35.39
Difference	+.19

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
New York, March 25.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices.

Anaconda copper mining 38-1/2
General Motors 59-1/8
United States Steel Common 71-7/8
United States Steel preference unquoted.

River Dacoits' Battle With Police Party

NOAKHALI, March 24, (A.P.I.): Report of a "battle" that took place recently between a police party and gang of river dacoits in the Megna river has been received here.

It is stated that a Sub-Inspector was out investigating a boat dacoity at place bordering Raipara police station when he got information that another dacoity was being committed in the river. He proceeded to the spot where he was attacked by the dacoits who were variously armed.

The police opened fire hitting one of the dacoits, but undeterred by it, the dacoits attacked from both sides of the police boat.

The police opened fire again and the dacoits then escaped leaving their wounded companion. The police arrested the injured dacoit and seized the boats, various weapons and looted property. Further investigation is proceeding.

STOP PRESS

SOVIET VETO

LAKE SUCCESS, (New York) March 25, (Reuter): M. Andrei Gromyko (Russia) today vetoed the United Nations Security Council decision finding "that the minefield in the Corfu Strait could not have been laid without the knowledge of the Albanian Government".

GREEK SITUATION FOR SECURITY COUNCIL

WASHINTGN, March 25, (U.P.A.): Warren O. Austin, chief United States delegate to the United Nations, announced that he would go before the Security Council at Lake Success on Friday to make a statement on the Greek Government's situation.

Austin made the announcement following a conference with President Truman and Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson at the Whitehouse.

KARACHI, March 25, (A.P.I.): The Congress Party staged a walk out in the Sind Assembly today when the House passed the Muslim League Party resolution fixing the communal percentage in services at 73 for Muslims and 27 for Non-Muslims.

CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY DECLARED ILLEGAL

NANKING, March 25. (Reuter): The Chinese Minister of Information Dr. Peng Hsueh-Pei, announced at a Press Conference today that the Chinese Communist Party was now considered illegal and would remain so until it laid down arms.

SEVEN INJURED IN CALCUTTA INCIDENTS

CALCUTTA, March 26, (A.P.I.): Seven persons were removed to Medical College Hospital following some incidents under Jorasanko Police Station shortly after midnight tonight.

The police soon arrived on the [illegible] and brought the situation under

Jawahar Rides The Storm

BUDGET CRISIS AVERTED

Mountbatten's First Meeting With Cabinet Passes Off Smoothly

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, March 25.

Pt. Nehru at the personal risk of his own popularity averted the much apprehended Cabinet crisis. Agreement was reached at this morning's Cabinet meeting, which was subsequently announced by Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan in the Central Assembly. According to lobby reports, the Congress wing of the Cabinet had a prolonged meeting prior to the Cabinet meeting this morning. Full and frank discussions are believed to have taken place between Pt. Nehru and his colleagues over the taxation proposals with a special reference to the Nehru-Liaquat settlement reported by me yesterday. Pt. Nehru, according to reports, was in a minority amongst his colleagues, who out of sheer loyalty to him agreed to support his agreement. Pt. Nehru looked dejected and depressed when he came to the Assembly this morning.

The Congress, however, gained its point as far as the Enquiry Commission Bill is concerned. Agreement does not cover that Bill which will be judged on its own merits. Both the Cabinet and the Central Assembly have already accepted the principle underlying the Bill. The Bill at the Select Committee has made its report.

Lord Mountbatten's first Cabinet meeting, therefore, passed off peacefully.

Experts To Examine New Taxes

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, March 25.

The Government of India have decided to set up an Expert Committee to survey taxation system of India with particular reference to the new taxes proposed under the two Taxation Bills now before the Central Assembly. The critics, it may be recalled, have characterised these taxes as unscientific in nature and the Committee of Experts now proposed will examine them in light of criticisms levelled against them.

(Central Assembly Proceedings On Page 5)

China To Have Dairen

WASHINGTON, March 25. (Reuter) Russia has notified the United States Government that she is ready to take "appropriate steps" to carry out the agreement to give China the control of the Manchurian Port of Dairen, a State Department announcement said today.

The Soviet notification followed an American note to Moscow and Nanking expressing the hope that the present "unsatisfactory" state of affairs at Dairen could be settled soon. The last Russian reply near dated Feb. 27. The State Department Press Ojcer and that the United States in the last few days had expressed the hope that Russia and China would complete the necessary arrangements for tranfer "in the near future."

The APA. adds: An informed Soviet source confirmed tonight that Russia had agreed to transfer the Port of Dairen to the Chinese Government, although he said that the word "transfer" was "rather broad."

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Bombay, March 25, 1947.

"ILL-CONCEIVED AND ILL-TIMED"

Sir Kikabhai Premchand Criticises Central Taxation Proposals

"The achievements of the popular Ministries so far all over the country have hardly come upto expectations due largely to the interference and undefined policy of the Centre. Conditions of scarcity continue to prevail in the case of essentials like food, clothing and housing and the position is much worse than at the termination of hostilities. What is more discouraging still is that there are no signs of coming improvement in these distressing conditions." This pessimistic note was struck by Sir Kikabhai Premchand, Chairman of Industrial Investment Trust Ltd., in his address at the fourteenth annual general meeting of the Trust held on Tuesday at the office of the Trust, Apollo Street, Fort.

TAXATION PROPOSALS

Continuing, Sir Kikabhai said: "To make matters worse the proposals of taxation in the very first budget of the first Indian Finance Member of the Central Legislature are most ill-conceived and ill-timed. When the country—which is supposed to emerge as an independent unit next year—is endeavouring to switch over from war to peace time production in the fact of heavy odds in the shape of rising cost of labour necessitated by short working hours, war-worn machinery and shortage of fuel, it is most ill-timed to strike at the very sinews of industry by taxation proposals which can succeed only by crippling industries. The economic structure of the country which is sorely strained already and this the Finance Member evidently appears to overlook, due perhaps to his lack of contact and proper understanding of the real situation that prevails in the country at the moment, will surely snap if his proposals are forced upon us. With one voice various organisations representing Commerce and Industry have sent their protest and nearly half the number of the members of the Select Committee have expressed their disapproval in no uncertain terms of the proposed taxation measures and have made alternative suggestions or raising the required funds. It is common knowledge, however, that but for the support of the European Group the Select Committee would not have been able to present a majority report. It will be ill-advised to reject the counsel of those who know what will be the repercussions if the Finance Bill is allowed to pass in its present form and this surely will not augur well for the coming independence of the country.

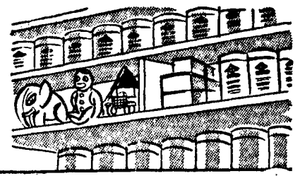
WANTED MORE AND MORE PRODUCTION

The crying need of the country at its crucial turning point in history is more and more production, which means more and quick industrialisation, i.e. the setting up of new industries and the expansion of the existing ones. If, however, the resources in the form of earnings and savings therefrom which constitute the nucleus of fresh capital are taken away by the authorities, there will be little incentive for increased production. The policy which the Finance Member persists in pursuing is not only short-sighted but is positively suicidal. To suggest a heavier incidence of taxation on individuals by making super-tax slabs more stringent than they already are is like killing the goose that lays the golden egg. If the Government as composed prior to the formation of the Indian Interim Government came out with a project of proposals which the Finance Member has made in this instance, the Government would be accused of being anti-national and there would be—and naturally enough—a country-wide cry of condemnation. The Finance Member can ill-afford to antagonise the country-wide interests and there is still time to reconsider and scrap the most nefarious taxation proposals contained in his first budget. Are not the proposed taxes, I would like to ask, more in the nature of a capital levy and is this what one should expect from a Government entirely composed of Indians? Indian Capital which is proverbially shy will shun all now advances and none will be forthcoming for the essential task of rebuilding and new constructions.

I trust the legislators who are sitting at the moment in the Capital and who include some far-sighted, sober and level-headed elements, and who understand the real needs of industry and commerce and have the confidence of the business community at large will wield their influence and do their best to save industry from ruin by making such modifications in this repressive and reactionary budget as will help to accelerate the pace of economic progress of India.

STERLING BALANCES

Referring to the sterling debt owed by Britain to India, Sir Kikabhai expressed the hope that "no impediments whatever in the way of use of this fund for the purchase of capital goods required by the country would be countenanced when arriving at an agreement."



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Bengal T. U. C's Call For General Strike

CALCUTTA, March 25, (A. P. A.): Call for a one-day general strike on March 28 was given yesterday by the general council of the Bengal Provincial Trade Union Congress in sympathy with the port and tram and other strikers, in protest against the labour policy of the Government, and to force the employers and the Government to come to terms with the unions concerned.

More than 50,000 workers in and around Calcutta are on strike now.

Aga Khan Hockey

Lusitanians Surprised

Forward Line Fails To Function

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Times Sports Club	3
Lusitanians 'A'	2
and	
Kirkee United	9
Vaisha College	0

The Times Sports Club provided the first big surprise of this year's Aga Khan Hockey Tournament by accounting for Lusitanians 'A' this year's League Champions by the odd goal in five. It might be said without detracting from the merits of the winners that the losers took things rather lightly treating the opposition without much seriousness. They were encouraged into this false sense of security by the first goal they registered when the game was but three minutes old.

Shortly before half time the Pressmen's left out Fichardo beat Pinto with a straight shot that went between the custodian's legs. This put the sides on an equal footing at the interval.

After resumption play fluctuated at both ends before centre-forward F. E. D'Souza put his side in the lead. This made the Lusitanians aware of the dangers that lurked in the combination of their opponents and they made repeated attacks on their opponents goal without any effect. They were very admirably foiled by the deep defenders Roberts and Fernandes ably supported by their pivot A. X. Vaz. The three with some occasional help from the wing halves held on to their lead and often resorted to hitting the ball out of the field of play. The Times scored their third goal in a rather fortunate manner. Some thirty yards from the goal right-out Braganza cleverly disposed Vaz and with nobody anywhere near proceeded to take the ball to the goal mouth on his own. He dodged Pinto, who however, succeeded in deflecting the ball slightly but just enough to enable a couple of defenders to come in the goal mouth. Braganza, however, scooped the ball in the goal to give his side a three-one lead.

This made matters very unhappy for the Lusitanians who tried desparately to patch up their side and particularly their front line. In one of the scrambles that ensued W. D'Souza reduced the margin, but there was hardly any time to get the equaliser.

The Lusitanian forward line was hardly anywhere in the picture; the few bursts being far too sporadic to produce any result.

THE TEAMS:

TIMES S. C.—Gibson; H. Roberts and P. Fernandes; H. D'Souza, A. X. Vaz and L. D'Souza; L. Braganza, J. Vaz, F. E. D'Souza, F. Correa and M. Fichardo.

LUSITANIANS 'A'—Pinto; Carvalho and W. D'Souza; D. Fernandes, G. Pereira and M. Vaz; L. Vaz, E. D'Sa, L. D'Souza. C. Braganza and L. Fernandes.

Earlier in the evening, the Kirkee United slaughtered the Vaish College to the tune of nine goals to nil. Right-in K. Nimal got two separate hat-tricks, the other three goals, the first, the second and the sixth being scored by left-in G. Nimal.

THE TEAMS:

KIRKEE UNITED:—Shinde; G. Malcloo and Fitzpatric; S. Cristie, B. Nimal and P. Master; E. Gobind, K. Nimal, D. Nimal, G. Nimal and Xavier.

VAISHA COLLEGE:—Bahu; Maqboor and Gian; Wahid, Daya Nand and Mushtaq; Pratap, Srinivasan, Aslam, Piav and Nanna.

VARSITY BOAT RACE

On Saturday this week-end the Cambridge University crew will meet the Oxford team in the Varsity Boat race for the ninety third time since the first race was held in 1829.

It may be remembered that this "greatest sporting spectacle of London" was revived after seven years of absence during the war, as so many other sporting events have been. Oxford won last year, recording their forty third win to Cambridge's forty eighth. It was a heartening win for the Dark Blues last year considering that right from the termination of the First Great War in 1918 to 1937 Oxford had won the race only once in 1923.

Only one dead heat had been recorded in its history and that was in 1877, when Oxford leading by nearly three lengths most of the way were caught up by Cambridge level on the winning post.

The race should prove as interesting as ever or if not more, this year and the recent "track" trials for four and a quarter mile from Morslake to Putney is just a precursor to the thrilling race.

While the Cambridge University crew broke the record for a full course trial from Mortlake to Putney—the reverse direction of the boat race course — in their trial on Wednesday last covering the distance in 18 minutes, 14 seconds, which was 13 seconds inside the previous best, the Oxford University Boat Race crew covered in 17 minutes, 58 seconds on Friday, breaking the record timing of 18 minutes, 14 seconds set up on the previous day by Cambridge. It was a history-making performance, being the first time that 18 minutes were beaten for either way of the course.

The record for Putney to Mortlake is 18 minutes, 3 second, in which Cambridge won in 1934.

Oxford may win again, if form calculations avail, and thus get nearer the mark of Cambridge's forty-eight winners.

New Zealand Test Abandoned

CHRISTCHURCH, March 25, (Reuter): The Anglo-New Zealand cricket test was abandoned as a draw. No play was possible today after 24 hours incessant rain. The final scores are:—

New Zealand 345 runs for nine wickets, declared and England 285 runs for seven wickets, declared.

ONE KILLED IN AGRARIAN RIOT

GOND, U. P., March 25, (API): One person was killed and eight injured in an Agrarian riot in the village of Baksariya in the Utraula Tehsil where the relations between the tenants and a Zamindars are reported to have been strained for some time past. The rioters also set fire to two houses. One man is reported to have received serious burns. Twenty-three persons have so far been arrested.

The cause of the clash is alleged to be a dispute over the harvesting of the rabi crop in the fields of a Zamindar.

REWA TO PARTICIPATE IN CONSEMBLY

Maharaja Announces Popular Govt. For State

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, March 23: In view of Premier Attlee's statement regarding the transfer of power in June next year, the Rewa State Durbar has decided to participate in the Constituent Assembly to reconstitute the Rewa State Council with more members in order to make it more representative in character.

This announcement was made by Maharaja Martandsinghji on the occasion of his birthday at a Durbar held at Rewa. The Maharaja declared that he would set up an Advisory Council with representatives of all interests in the State and consisting of a majority of elected members as an interim measure, pending consideration of the Rewa State Constitution-making Committee's report. The Committee was appointed a few months back under the chairmanship of Sir Harisingh Gour. It has nearly completed its investigations. The Maharaja has assured that soon after he receives the Gour Committee's report he will endeavour to formulate his decision with the least possible delay and make an announcement regarding the establishment of popular form of government suited to his people's needs.

EGYPTIAN THREAT TO U. S. AND SWEDISH CONSULATES

ALEXANDRIA, March 25, (A. P. A.): The American and Swedish Consulates in Alexandria have received notes signed by the Egyptian Committee for National Freedom, threatening that they will be blown up unless the Egyptian Flag is flown beside the consulates' national flags.

Several foreign-owned cinemas received similar warnings threatening their destruction unless the Egyptian National Anthem is played before and after showing.

A Belgian firm Lebon at OIE which supplies electricity to most of Alexandria received a demand, for 400 Egyptian pounds accompanied by a bomb warning from a group signing themselves "The Terrorist Society of Alexandria."

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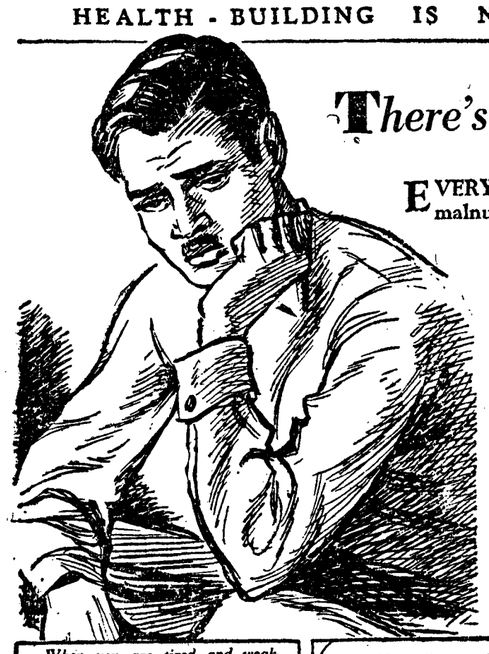

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Municipal Standing Committee 3-30 p.m. (B.T.)

To-day's Engagements

INDIAN INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATIONAL & CULTURAL CO-OPERATION: Mr. Stuart Nelson of the American Friends Service Unit will deliver a talk on "International and Interracial Understanding" in the Meeting Room of the Royal Asiatic Society, Bombal Branch, (Town Hall) today (Wednesday), 26th March at 5-30 p.m.

JAMSETJEE NESSERVANJI PETIT INSTITUTE: Annual general meeting today (Wednesday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.), 312, Hornby Road, Fort.

BAI BACHUBAI KANJI KARSONDAS CHARITABLE DISPENSARY: At the Bai Bachubai Kanji Karsondas Charitable Dispensary for Women and Children conducted by the Social Service League, Bombay, at Parel 1,152 patients consisting of 722 women and 430 children were treated during the month of February, 1947, the daily average attendance of patients being 52.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Talk on "Mind—Foundation of Character", followed by questions and answers at 6-15 p.m. today (Wednesday) at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain.

BOMBAY TAMIL SANGHAM: Lecture on "Devotion" by Mr. T. K. Chithambaranatha Mudaliar at 8-30 p.m. at the Sangham premises.

PARLE S. I. UNION: Today 7-00 p.m. to 9-00 p.m. Music by Miss Chellammal Seshadri, Violin Miss Chellammal Krishnan, 9-00 p.m. to 11-00 p.m. Music by Miss Meena Subbarayudu, Violin Miss Kamala.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: Under the auspices of the Rahnumai Sabha Dasturji Framroze Bode will deliver a public lecture today at 6 p.m. at Sir C. J. Hall on "The Prestine Zarathustrian Teachings".

MAHARASHTRA UNIFICATION CONFERENCE

The first session of the newly formed "Maharashtra Unification Conference" will be held at Jalgaon, East Khandesh, on April 13 and 14. it is announced.

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Indo-Burma Monetary Arrangements End

In view of the termination of the monetary arrangements with Burma under the India and Burma (Burma Monetary Arrangements) Order, 1937 and of the closing of the Reserve Bank of India in Burma on the 31st March 1947, the remittance facilities at present available between India and Burma under the Reserve Bank of India "Scheme of Remittance Facilities" will be withdrawn with effect from 1st April 1947.

RELIEF FUND FOR PUNJAB RIOT VICTIMS

A relief fund in aid of the Punjab riot victims has been organised by the North Indian Association, Bombay. Dr. Indranath Sobti, President, in a statement appeals for generous contributions towards the fund. The Association has so far collected about Rs. 2,000. Contributions may be sent to the Association's office at King's Circle, Matunga.

MEERUT CONGRESS R. C.

Mr. Raghubir Narain Singh, Chairman, Reception Committee, writes:

It is notified for general information that the office of the Reception Committee, 54th Session, Indian National Congress at Meerut will close on 15th April. Persons having claims on Reception Committee for refunds of money deposited or for outstanding bills should submit their claims before this date. After which no claims will be undertaken.

Richest Corporation In India

Dahyabhai Patel's Talk On Bombay Municipal Finances

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mr. Dahyabhai Patel, Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, in a talk to the Commerce Graduates' Association this afternoon expressed the view that the Government's levy of the Urban Immovable Property Tax was a serious impediment to the growth of the Bombay Municipal Corporation. He said that the Government's action cut off a good slice from the Municipal revenues.

Explaining the position of the Municipal finances, Mr. Patel said that the Bombay Municipal Corporation was the richest Corporation in India and that its revenue (which was 6 crores of rupees this year) would compare with that of some of the smaller provinces in India.

Mr. Patel observed that the Bombay Municipal Corporation was the first Corporation in India, to introduce compulsory primary education. About 120,000 pupils were taking advantage of the scheme.

THREE MONTHS' JAIL FOR ADULTERATING MILK

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

For selling adulterated milk, Kanji Jethalal, a milk vendor at Argyle Road, Bombay, was to-day sentenced to undergo three months' S. I. by Mr. G. K. Rege, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court.

On August 24, 1945, it was stated, the accused sold 3/4 seer of baffalo's milk to Dr. Mhatre, Senior Medical Inspector of the Bombay Municipality. The milk, on examination by the Public Analyser, Dr. J. H. Doctor, was found to contain 23.3 per cent of extraneous water.

YEAR'S R I. FOR RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Nemichand Venichand, a Marwadi of Bombay, was sentenced to undergo one year's R. I. and to pay a fine of Rs. 500 by Mr. K. C. Thakore, Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum Police Court to-day, for receiving stolen property.

It appears that in October 1945, Nemichand received jewellery and other ornaments valued at Rs. 72,775 from a certain person. He disposed it off although, it is alleged, he knew it to be stolen property. The Magistrate took a very serious view of the offence and sentenced the accused as stated above.

OFFICIAL AND PERSONAL

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Governor of Bombay attended by his Personal Staff, disembarked from H. M. I. S. "Narbada" on His Excellency's return from tour at Ratnagiri.

Lady Colville, accompanied by Mrs. A. Rowland-Jones, visited the B. O. Rs. Welfare Centre at Colaba.

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION

With immediate effect All classes of telegrams for Amritsar are accepted.

INDO-BRITISH SHIPPING TALKS IN THE OFFING

To Secure For India Her Legitimate Share In Coastal And Overseas Trade

NEW DELHI, March 25, (A.P.I.): Negotiations between India and British shipping interests for the purpose of securing for India her legitimate share in both the coastal and overseas trades are likely to be held in the near future.

This was one of the points which emerged from the meeting of the Shipping Policy Committee held in New Delhi last weekend, under the chairmanship of Mr. I. I. Chundrigar Commerce Member. The meeting was convened to discuss the report of the Reconstruction Policy Sub-Committee on shipping.

GOVT. CONSIDERING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

The Commerce Member in opening the meeting thanked the sub-committee for producing a very valuable report which he said, was under the active consideration of the Government of India. Whatever might be the decision of Government on individual recommendations in the report, Mr. Chundrigar gave an assurance that Government would give all possible assistance to Indian shipping. Government realised that it was essential for a country like India with a long coastline and placed in an important strategic position in the Indian Ocean to develop her Mercantile Marine so that she could take her rightful place in the world of shipping.

The Commerce Member also disclosed that discussions had been proceeding with H.M.G. on the question of opening negotiations to secure better facilities for Indian shipping both in coastal and overseas trade and that H.M.G. had as a first step, suggested private negotiations between representatives of Indian and British shipping interest. He commended this suggestion to the meeting.

ACQUIRE NEW SHIPS, SAYS C. P.

Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyer, Chairman of the Reconstruction Policy Sub-Committee in clarifying certain recommendations in the report, emphasised that whatever might be the decisions of the Government of India on the report, they should take early measures to help Indian shipping industry to acquire new ships. He also stated that in developing Indian shipping in the overseas trade. Acute competition might be expected and this should be counteracted by means of a national shipping policy pursued by the State and by the efficiency and solidarity of Indian shipping companies.

In the general discussion that followed the recommendations of the Reconstruction Policy Sub-Committee on shipping were generally approved. It was also indicated by the representatives of Indian shipping interests present that they would be willing to negotiate with British interests as suggested by H. M. G. and recommended by the Government of India.

The Committee also decided that the report should be published at an early date.

MAHATMA BREAKS SILENCE TO SPEAK TO MUSLIMS

PATNA, March 24. (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi in his post-prayer speech at Rajghat this evening said "Hindus and Muslims formed two eyes of the nation and any loss suffered by one community will prove harmful to both". He Added that it was necessary in the interests of both not to act in a manner which caused harm to any one of them.

Mahatma Gandhiji had earlier visited Barhama, a nearby village, accompanied by the President of the Provincial Congress Committee Prof. Abdul Bari, and Mr. Anugraha Narayan Sinha, Finance Minister.

He broke his silence earlier today to speak to some Muslims, who showed him round the village.

Helicopter For Postal Deliveries In France

PARIS, (IPS): France is planning the development of Holicopter for postal deliveries. The world's most powerful helicopter is now under construction at Argentouil, France under the supervision of Focke, of Fock Wulf fame. The new model S. E. 3,000 has a thousand horse power and can carry a ton of mail over short distance.

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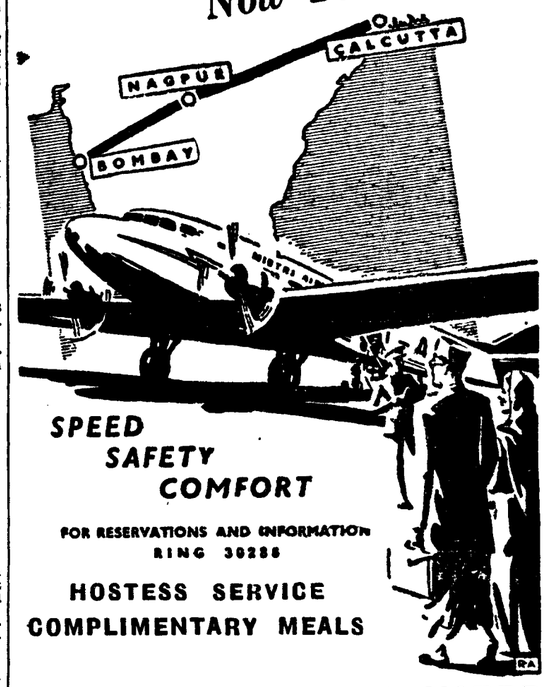

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"If you are planning for one year, plant grain; if you are planning for ten years, plant trees; if you are planning for a hundred years, plant men".
—Chinese Proverb.

The Bombay Chronicle

TACTLESS INTERVENTION

The two-day open session of the Asian Relations Conference has proved that it has been an encouraging success, not in the sense of the spectacular, but success because it amply demonstrated the awakening and essential unity of Asia. "I think," said Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in his closing remarks, "all of us have felt during these two days that however far we might be separated from each other in point of distance or in other ways, there is an essential unity about this continent and about our endeavour". Now comes the stage of endeavour. The revived dynamism of this continent has to be given practical expression and canalised organisationally in order that the spirit of Asia might influence and help humanity save itself from disaster and to march forward to the goal of human freedom, peace and progress. Every country and people finds itself closely concerned with some local conflict or controversy. The fact that Asia's representatives rose above the local problems to devote themselves to the higher tasks common to all is an encouraging proof of the consciousness of Asians to the mission of Asia and their own duty. We hope practical results will emerge from the round table discussions to confirm that proof.

We have mentioned that the representatives rose above their local problems. There was, however, one unfortunate exception relating to the Palestine issue. It is gratifying to note that the "breeze" was not started by the Arabs whose behaviour and attitude were irreproachable. How and why Dr. Samuel Bergmann of the Hebrew University permitted himself to attempt Zionist propaganda we do not know. It may be that Zionist strategists in Palestine had considered it brilliant tactics to utilise the occasion of the Asian Conference for committing an embarrassed audience to the Zionist thesis and then using it as Asia's approval and sympathy. And they got Dr. Bergmann to carry out their project. Whatever the reason, the attempt failed as it was doomed to fail. The Arabs could not ignore the challenge and let the case of Arab Palestine go by default. A reply was inevitable and it was promptly forthcoming.

Dr. Bergmann should thank himself for the turn matters took. For, one good thing did come out of it all, namely a reiteration of India's attitude towards the problem. As Pandit Nehru said, India has deep sympathy for the sufferings of the unfortunate Jews, but in respect of Palestine "the people of India, necessarily for various reasons into which I shall not go, have always said that Palestine is essentially an Arab country and no decision can be made without the consent of the Arabs". This is the only position anyone can take on the basis of history, democracy and justice. For, it will be a cynical denial of all these if after two thousand years that Arab land and its Arab people were to be Zionised—after two thousand years, we repeat, and despite their very justifiable protests—and all in order to rescue the Jews from the tyranny of Europe and also to avoid the inconvenience of offering refuge in the countries of the champions themselves of the Jews. This is the position of India, this is the position of Asia and this should be the position of all who profess democracy and democratic justice. It was, we say, very unfortunate that the subject was tactlessly introduced at the Asian Conference. But once it was introduced it could not end in any other way than it did. Justice and the principles of democracy cannot be denied by India as they are being so freely denied by America and Britain who want to be generous to Jews at the expense of another country and people.

Frankly Speaking

Drastic Measures

The Punjab Public Safety Act of 1947, which replaces the Punjab Public Safety Ordinance of 1946, not only repeats the provisions of the Ordinance but also makes some important additions to them. One new provision empowers the Government "to require newspapers to publish any matter it thinks fit, and to exhibit such matter as may be directed." The second addition provides for the imposition of collective fines, and for the assessment and payment of compensation for injury and damage caused during disturbances. Many of the provisions of the Act, as also of the new Disturbed Areas Act, however drastic, may be explained as vesting Government with reserve powers to be used as a last resort in extremely grave situations such as communal riots. One can only hope that these extraordinary powers will be used with the greatest caution and restraint. This is particularly true of the clauses of the Disturbed Areas Act which provide for the punishment of death for offences of attempted murder, kidnapping and abduction and their variants, rape, robbery and dacoity and their variants, and arson and even for the abetment of these offences.

Needless And Obnoxious

It is, however, impossible to justify on any ground the addition to the Punjab Public Safety Ordinance which empowers the Government "to require newspapers to publish any matter it thinks fit and to exhibit such matter as may be directed." This is a needless, unjust, and humiliating imposition on the Press. There are already in the province too many restrictions on the Press, nor have they been always enforced with the necessary caution. The new measure penalises a paper for what it may not publish or for not featuring Government bulletin even when it is published. If the Press is prevented from publishing what it does not want to publish and compelled to publish what it does not want to, Government's bulletins will cease to be taken seriously, and wild rumours will be rife which may lead to mischievous consequences. It will be wise for the Governor to rescind at once this obnoxious imposition on the Press.

Hindu Divorce Bill

The Hindu Divorce Bill of Bombay has emerged from the Select Committee in an appreciably improved form. The condition that idiocy can be a ground for divorce only after it has been suffered for seven years is wisely removed. And the period of desertion to give a claim of divorce has been reduced from seven to four years. Concubinage and prostitution have also been made grounds for divorce. However, there will still be many reformers who may legitimately feel that divorce has not been made easy enough, and the super-orthodox will always complain that the Bill makes divorce too easy. But what is most significant is that there has been little opposition worth the name to the principle of divorce among the so-called high caste Hindus. It is evident that most of them have realised the need for divorce in some cases. This is natural as divorce is permitted among many Hindu castes and has been sanctioned by at least one important 'Smriti'. And the experience of the world has been definitely in favour of divorce, though every reform is capable of being abused. Controversies are now about the grounds for divorce, and the Bill as amended by the Select Committee may be said to represent a golden mean between radical views on either side.

Unfortunate Refusal

It is not necessary to take sides on the merits of the dispute in order to regret the situation arising out of the B.E.S.T. strike as unfortunate. In a city like Bombay suspension of the Bus and Tram services dooms, not thousands, but lakhs of people to very serious incohvenience indeed. This is what is happening to-day. Transport services are in a very real sense Essential services because they are so essential to the life of the community. The privilege of the B.E.S.T. workers in rendering such service to the community is great but, therefore, so is their obligation to think long before denying that service. This is where the difficulty comes in the matter of supporting the present strike. We cannot support it because we feel that a great obligation was neglected when the decision was taken to reject the offer of adjudication. Nothing can justify that refusal and we earnestly hope the leaders of the strike will even now reconsider their decision. They owe it both to the people of Bombay and to the Government which is also theirs.

"Appeal To Authorities"

Sir,—This is with reference to Mrs. Savita Korgaonkar's letter published in your issue of March 22, under the caption "Appeal to Authorities". Mrs. Korgaonkar complains about oil and ghee being sold at only one Government shop at Khar and accuses the authorities of neglect in handling the distribution of articles of daily necessity.

May I point out to Mrs. Korgaonkar that oils and ghee were not rationed articles and Government had, at no time, monopolised the distribution of these articles. These articles, particularly sweet oils and Dalda were in short supply in the market. Government in order to help the public and at the same time to check to some extent the rise in prices purchased some stocks of these articles from the mills and made them available from a limited number of selected Government Grain Shops, at controlled rates. But as the stocks which were available to the Government were limited, it was useless to open the sales at several shops in each locality.

The people, in order to get these articles at controlled rates, flocked to the one shop, which had only limited supplies. The result was long queues, waiting for hours and in the end some of them not getting anything. This surely was not fault of the authorities.

However, as the Government of India decontrolled sweet oils and the Government of Bombay has consequently stopped the sale of oils and ghee, nothing more is to be said now in this connection.—Yours, etc.,

P. N. S. RAZDAN,
Public Relations Officer.
(Rationing.)

Bombay,

BHOPAL FOR BOMBAY

To Attend Meetings Of Princes And Ministers' Committees

AURANGABAD, March 25, (A.P.I.): The Nawab of Bhopal, Chancellor of the Chamber of Princes accompanied by Mr. Shuaib Qureishi and personal staff returned here this morning after a brief personal visit to New Delhi.

According to present programme, the Nawab of Bhopal will leave for Bombay on the morning of Thursday, March 27 in connection with the series of meetings of verious committees of Princes and Ministers Scheduled to be held from March 29 to April 3. A General conference of rulers will be held on Wednesday April 2 and this will be preceeded by meetings of the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes, Finance Committee of the Rulers States Constitutional Advisory Committee of Ministers and Special Drafting Committee of Ministers.

Plea For Better Understanding Of Eastern Cultures

NEW YORK, March 24 (Reuter). Reviewing the educational activities of the Rockefeller Foundation for the past year, Mr. Raymond B. Fosdick, the Foundation's President and Trustee, to-day called for better understanding of Eastern cultures.

"We live in a time of political and economic diversity and cultural conflict, far more acute than anything our modern civilisation has before known", he said. "Somehow or other a basis must be found for accommodating the differing political aspirations and conflicting cultural ideals of Eastern civilisation and our own."

Mr. Fosdick said there was little appreciation of the impact which is the new life. In trying to stimulate widening interest in the languages, history, culture and traditions of the East, the Rockefeller Foundation had appropriated up to the present approximately 1,000,000 dollars—"A relatively modest amount when compared with the need", he added.

"TWO SIDES OF SAME COIN"

LONDON, March 25, (Reuter): The slogan "struggle against Communism" and an expansionist policy are "two sides of the same coin" a Soviet historian, Dr. Ivan Lemin, said today in a Moscow radio comment on President Truman's appeal to the United States Congress for aid to Greece and Turkey.

"American expansionists do not hide the fact that Greece and Turkey must be converted into forces of the notorious American defence zone", he said. "The American policy has little to do with any ideology. It is a combination of the dollar policy and a strong hand policy in areas which lie hundreds of thousands of miles from the western zone. It is an effort to expand the Monroe Doctrine to embrace the whole world".

Plea To Control Labour Unions' Funds

CALCUTTA, March 25. (A.P.I.): Control by Govt. of funds of Labour organisations participating in illegal strikes was suggested at the annual meeting of the Federation of Trades Association of India yesterday by Mr. C. E. Clarke, the new President of the Association.

Mr. Clarke said that the prosperity and peace of a nation and its people depended on the prosperity and peace in trade, Commerce and Industry and if Labour expected to share any reward. There must be on their part, in addition to a sense of discipline, a greater productive effort.

Calcutta Editor Convicted

CALCUTTA, March 25. (A.P.I.): The Chief Presidency Magistrate of Calcutta sentenced today Mr. Hemendra Nath Dutta, editor, printer and publisher of daily "Krishak," a vernatular newspaper, to pay a fine of Rs. 200 for violating the Bengal Special Powers Ordinance.

The case against Mr. Dutta, who pleaded guilty to the charge, was that he published in his paper a letter headed "Frightful lawlessness in Noakhali' from the headmaster of a Noakhali school on November 10th last, and that this letter transgressed the provisions of the Ordinance.

Hindu Mahasabha Worker Served With Notice

POONA, March 25, (A.P.I.): Mr. H. B. Bhide, a Hindu Mahasabha Worker was served with a notice by the District Magistrate, prohibiting him from addressing a meeting at Tilak Mandir today. The order which was served when Mr. Bhide was about to commence his talk on "Pakistan in the Punjab" was defied by him. The Police have not taken any action till late at night.

Wage Scales Of Subordinate And Inferior Staff

Dange Raises Slogan Of "Equal Pay For Equal Work" In Bombay Assembly

Resuming on the eighth day, in a thinly attended House, the debate on the demands for grants, the Bombay Legislative Assembly voted today two grants, one for a sum of Rs. 1,73,78,000 under the head 'General Administration' moved by Mr. V. L. Mehta and another for a sum of Rs. 45,77,000 under the head 'Industries' moved by Mr. G. D. Tapase.

The House also passed a small grant of Rs. 1,50,000 as capital outlay on industrial development for a scheme of charcoal manufacture in Kanara District and then took up consideration of a demand for a grant of Rs. 2,86,48,000 under the head 'Agriculture' asked for by Mr. M. P. Patil, Minister for Agriculture and Forests.

SALARY SCALES

Replying to a cut motion to discuss the inadequate scales of pay of subordinate and inferior staff Mr. V. L. Mehta stated that revised lists of pay scales were under examination by Government. But the Bombay Government were awaiting the report of the Central Government's Pay Commission which was expected in May. In any case he gave the assurance that the salaries on the revised scales would be paid with retrospective effect from January 1947.

VILLAGE GUIDES

Replying to a token cut in the provision of Rs. 10,00,000 for the organisation of publicity and propaganda, Mr. M. P. Patil, Minister for Agriculture, explained that the Village Guides were intended to give every assistance to the rural population including advising them about the ameliorative legislation passed for their benefit and helping them to take the fullest advantage of such legislation. He also gave an assurance that on no account would these people be used for doing political propaganda in favour of any party.

Most of the cuts moved today were withdrawn; except for two which were debated and even those two were lost without being pressed to a division.

DETAILED PROCEEDINGS

Resuming his unfinished speech Mr. Dange said that the salaries of subordinate and inferior Government servants bore no relation to their work. The principle of equal pay for equal work was ignored. He also deprecated the practice of subordinate employees being made to do private work for their bosses.

Mr. Kher intervening said that the Government had issued circular to all officers to stop this practice. Government would not hesitate to take action to put down the practice.

Mr. V. L. Mehta in the course of his reply admitted that considering that India was a poor country there was no country where higher wages were paid to high paid employees and perhaps with the exception of China no country where lower wages were paid to low paid employees. Both the aspects of these questions were under the consideration of Government, Mr. Mehta then gave a detailed account of the steps that the Government had already taken to step up the salaries of its subordinate staff, by way of increase in dearness allowance, interim relief and bonus. These reliefs cost Government Rs. five crores during the current year.

Mr. Mehta expressed agreement with the mover of the cut that the practice of Government employees being made to do the private work of officers must stop. Now that employees' unions were being formed everywhere, he expressed the hope that the Unions would be able to do what the employees individually may not have been able to do to stop this practice.

INDUSTRIES DEPARTMENT

The grant for the Industries Department called forth its quota of cut motions. Answering one of these Mr. G. D. Tapase detailed the proposed measures to increase the supply of fish. He explained that unlike the southern stretches of the Madras coast which abounded in sardines and mackerel, the 600 miles of the Bombay coast was not rich in fish. Besides, this year the fishing season had been spoiled due to rough weather which drove the shoals into deep sea. Government measures of encouragement included subsidising, building of 30 modern fishing craft in the next five years, installation of four ice plants, special training facilities for sons of fishermen, import of baby fish from the north and development of fish-culture in the Khapoli and Pashan lakes. At present not more than 55,000 tons of fish reached Bombay market, while the province could take four lakhs of tons.

In answer to another question Mr. V. L. Mehta explained the reasons why Government had separated the small-scale industries from the Department of Industries and linked them on to the Department of Co-operation. This was first, because small-scale industries being chiefly village industries, needed a different outlook to administer and foster them and secondly, because committee after committee had recommended the use of methods of co-operation in small industries.

Questions

A series of questions asked by Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin in the Bombay Legislative Assembly in regard to the visit of Mr. G. P. Hutheesing to America led to the intervention of the Speaker, Mr. K. S. Firodia, who asked members not to misuse the privileged position they enjoyed as members of the Assembly and not raise questions and make statements unless they had reasonable grounds for believing in their correctness.

To Mr. Shamsuddin's questions whether Mr. Hutheesing was deputed by the Bombay Government to the U.S.A. to study census matters and whether his connection with the Nehru family was a consideration which prompted the selection, Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, replied emphatically in the negative.

Mr. Babubhai Patel, on a point of order asked whether under the rules of the Assembly it was not obligatory on members to satisfy themselves about the correctness of questions before putting them on the floor of the House.

Mr. Shamsuddin said that his question were based on reports appearing in the press.

INSINUATIONS AND INNUENDOS

Mr. B. G. Kher said that nothing that had appeared in the press justified the questions that were raised. These were full of insinuations and innuendos. He repudiated the charge that Mrs. and Mr. Hutheesing were deputed to do Congress propaganda.

The Speaker, while expressing his reluctance to probe further into the matter, also appealed to the members to bear in mind their position of privilege and not raise issues unless they had a basis in fact. Press reports could not be made the basis of questions. Incidentally he referred to a report appearing in a section of the press (not in the 'Chronicle') regarding an adjournment motion given notice of by Mr. Dange about the B.E.S.T. strike. He said that this motion had not yet been admitted and unless a motion was admitted by the Speaker no reference could be made to it in the press.

BOMBAY GOVERNOR IN RATNAGIRI

RATNAGIRI, March 21.

The Governor of Bombay attended by his personal staff arrived at Ratnagiri in H.M.I.S. 'Narbada.'

Saturday, 22nd March:

The Governor of Bombay disembarked at the Ratnagiri Jetty where he was received by the Collector Mr. E. H. Holt with a number of officials and prominent citizens.

His Excellency received an address from the District Local Board and afterwards inspected the Civil Hospital and the Mental Hospital, the Military Hostel and Police lines.

Sunday, 23rd March: His Excellency left Ratnagiri in H.H.I.S. 'Narbada' and arrived at Vijaidurg where he was shown round the Fort and villages by the Collector. Later His Excellency proceeded to Musakaji in H.M.I.S. "Narbada" and continued by launch to Jaitapur where he was shown round the village by the Collector. His Excellency then returned to Ratnagiri.

Monday, 24th March.

His Excellency attended a ceremonial Police Parade and afterwards inspected the Government Agricultural Farm at Shirgaon and subsequently visited the Leper Hospital.

The Governor of Bombay attended by his personal staff left Ratnagiri in H.M.I.S. "Narbada" for Bombay.

Baroda Praja Mandal's Demands

BARODA, March 25 (A.P.I.): The main resolution of the Baroda Raj Praja Mandal adopted at its 20th annual session requested the Ruler to appoint a Committee elected by the people to frame a constitution for Baroda, giving "practical shape to the goal of Responsible Government" accepted by the Maharaja.

Among the other resolution passed was one recommending that the Baroda Government should emulate the Government of Bombay in its prohibition policy, another demanding removal of controls on all necessaries of life except foodgrains and a third urging upon the Government "not to introduce racing in the State when Madras and Bombay are seriously thinking of doing away with the evil."

'An Australian In India'

Ex-Governor Of Bengal On Pakistan Issue In His Book

LONDON, March 25, (UPI): "I realise very well that a solution of the problem of the Muslims of India has got to be found. But I am very sure that Pakistan is not the solution . . I do not believe that differences between the two communities are so great — or perhaps I should say, so permanently great — as to require partition of India between them in order to solve the problem. Anyhow, I am convinced that it would not solve the problem."

This view was expressed by Rt. Hon'ble Mr. Richard. G. Casey, former Governor of Bengal, on the demand for Pakistan in his book "An Australian in India" published to-day in London.

Mr. Casey strenuously insists that for a full development of the Indian State, her geographical unity should be maintained, and believes that when the British withdraw from India, the Rulers of smaller Indian States "will probably be forced by circumstances to allow their States to be merged into the surrounding Provinces or in some cases, into the larger contiguous States and themselves accepting the positions of only nominal authority over their people." For bigger States which may not prove easy for absorption, mutually acceptable arrangements will have to be made.

DOMINION STATUS

"I believe that Dominion Status is a rather artificial conception so far as the people of another race are concerned. Dominion Status needs British tribal instinct to make it work", Mr. Casey writes and adds: "An independent India in self-interest will form a close association with Britain which will be profitable to both. I believe that the Indian industrialists have been disappointed with the result of their American business contacts. It was not as easy as they thought.

"As to Russia, there is almost a universal fear and dislike of Communism amongst the thinking Indians — The one country that vast majority of thinking Indians do not want close association with Russia".

On the question of industrialisation, Mr. Casey sees bright future but he holds that modernisation of agriculture must come first. "It is no use putting super-modern garment of high pressure industrialisation over the threadbare shirt of hopelessly backward Indian agriculture," he adds.

LEAGUE AND CONGRESS

Apart from general problems of India, Mr. Casey gives his candid estimates of the Congress and the Muslim League organisations and personalities of Mahatma Gandhi, Mr. Jinnah, Pandit Nehru and Dr. Ambedkar, which will be found interesting by the Indians.

The chapters on his Governorship of Bengal smacks of mock-modest complacency as he describes how he practically single-handed transformed the mediaeval administration of the province into nearly efficient modern thing.

Partial Restraint Of Marriage Held Void

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tendolkar)

Khorshed Maneck Dadabhoy .... Plaintiff

vs.

The Official Trustee of Bombay & Others ..... Defendants

In a very important decision delivered on Monday, Mr. Justice Tendolkar held that even a condition in a Will which is only in partial restraint of marriage with persons professing a particular faith is void as being contrary to the law contained in Section 26 of the Contract Act. A restraint which was only partial had so far been understood by the legal profession in Bombay to be valid.

The point arose in an Originating Summons for the construction of the Will of one Jehangir Dinshaw Kateli who died in Bombay on 21st December 1937 leaving a Will and three codicils. The testator directed that one-sixth of the residue of his estate was to be transferred to the Official Trustee of Bombay (defendant 1) to be held by him for the benefit of his niece Tehmina Khodadad Mugaseth for life and thereafter for her issue equally, and in default of issue to the children of another niece of the testator. Clause 18 of the Will, however, provided that if any person entitled to any benefit under the Will married a non-Parsee or a non-Zoroastrian his or her share was to lapse and go over as if such person had died before the testator.

Tehmina died on 9th October, 1945 leaving three daughters (the plaintiff and defendants 2 and 3), and her husband (defendant 4). Both the second and third defendants were married to Madrasi Hindus and the plaintiff claimed that their shares must therefore be deemed to have lapsed.

JUDGMENT

His Lordship stated that clause 18 of the Will attached a condition of defeasance to all bequests under it. The ulterior bequest was in such cases subject to the rule in Section 127 of the Succession Act [Section 131 (2)] and was therefore void if it was made upon a condition of defeasance the fulfilment of which would be "contrary to law or morality." There was no provision in the Succession Act to enable the court to determine what conditions were contrary to law or morality and therefore that question had to be determined having regard to the law of the land. The fulfilment of a condition would be contrary to law if it was such that if it were the subject matter of an agreement, the agreement would be void under the Contract Act which is part of the law of the land. His Lordship had no doubt that an agreement not to marry a non-Parsee was an agreement in restraint of marriage and was therefore void under Section 26 of the Contract Act. It was true that under the English common law an agreement which was only in partial restraint of marriage was valid. His Lordship observed that lawyers in India had been accustomed to look upon English common law as the source of all legislation in India and there was great reluctance even among Indian courts to interpret the Contract Act as laying down any departure from the English common law. His Lordship, however, pointed out numerous matters in which the Indian Contract Act departed from the principles of English common law. In His Lordship's opinion the words of Section 26 which had been taken from the draft Civil Code of New York, were clear and unambiguous and the analogy of English law was of no avail. His Lordship observed, "Partial restraint is certainly restraint and is covered by the general terms of the section." His Lordship then considered the case—law on the point and held that a condition restraining marriage with persons professing a particular faith was a condition in restraint of marriage within Section 26 of the Contract Act: and if such a condition was a condition of defeasance of a bequest its fulfilment would be contrary to law and the condition was therefore void and the original bequest stood valid. His Lordship therefore held that Tehmina's share should be paid in equal shares to the plaintiff and defendants 2 and 4. As this was a novel point on which there was no decision of any High Court in India His Lordship order the costs of all parties to come out of Tehmina's share.

Mr. H. D. Banajee instructed by Messrs. Daphtary Ferreira and Diwan appeared for the plaintiff. Mr. M. J. Mistree instructed by Messrs. Jamsedji Rustomji & Devidas appeared for defendant 1. Mr. V. F. Taraporevala instructed by Messrs. Kanga & Co. appeared for defendant 2. Mr. D. E. Bilimoria instructed by Messrs. Daphtary Ferreira & Diwan appeared for defendant 4. Defendant 3 did not appear.

TETE A TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

BRIGHTON, March 24, (Reuter): The British Government was today accused of "criminality" for the way it was "throwing India to the dogs", by Reverend D. M. Russel Jones, the National President of the Fellowship Independent Evangelical Churches.

Speaking to a fellowship rally here he said: "When I see the way we are throwing India to the dogs' my heart bleeds within me at the criminality of our present Government". He added "I am not Conservative, Liberal or Labour, but as a Christian man my blood boils".

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Mr. S. A. Dange has given notice of his intention to move an adjournment motion to discuss the situation arising out of the B.E.S.T. strike.

Would he agree to a few thousands of the several lakhs affected by the strike having at the time an orderly demonstration outside?

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Mr. A. H. Mirza, a leading M.L.A. urged in the Bombay Assembly that women should be debarred from Government offices because their proper place was home and not office and they were not fit to deal with confidential matters.

Is it official? It does look like it since Mr. Mirza was supported by sixteen colleagues. But we do so want an authoritative statement on the subject.

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Lord Mountbatten, we are informed, is giving a reception to the delegates to the Asian Relations Conference on Friday.

He shouldn't.

Why, he is not responding to his own appeal to refrain from saying or doing controversial things!

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Addressing the Asian Conference, General Sir Shamsher Jung Bahadur Rana from Nepal said that ties of friendship, etc., between Nepal and India had existed throughout history, that they were indissoluble and that they would grow stronger and closer.

Nonsense. What does he know of Nepal specially after the pronouncement by one of the genuine authoritative representatives of Gurkhas, we mean Colonel Gomme Duncan, Tory M.P.?

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The Nepalese speaker also paid a tribute to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru whose qualities of head and heart would be said, be an invaluable asset to Asia and the world.

Really, Sir Shamsher Jung Bahadur Rana, the alleged Nepalese delegate, knows nothing about Nepal and the Gurkhas.

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Dr. Samuel Bergmann, the Hebrew University representative, took advantage of the occasion to talk of Jews and Palestine and to hope that Palestine would not go the European way "of solving, so to speak, problems by dispossessing (as Europeans are doing in their countries) populations".

What he meant was that the problem should be solved by dispossessing Palestine Arabs.

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Yes, Dr. Samuel Bergmann did succeed in enlivening, so to speak, the proceedings of the Conference.

He got what he had asked for. But we are profoundly concerned about Jawaharlal Nehru who may now be denounced by all humanitarians from Dr. Weizmann and Rabbi Silver down—sorry up to their friends in Britain and America as having joined the ranks of oppressors of homeless Jews, who MUST go to Palestine lest—they ask for refuge in America, Canada, Australia, etc.

CONTROL ORDERS ON DRUGS & METALS LIFTED

BOMBAY, March 25. (API). The Government of Bombay have cancelled the control orders relating to drgs, non-ferrous metals, brass and copper and aluminium utensils, which were in force in the province after Sept. 39, 1946, under the Bombay Essential Commodities Control Act, according to a Gazette Extraordinary issued today.

Protecting Machine Tool Industry By Restricting Imports

A Press Note issued today says:

The machine tool industry, whose claim for protection is now under the investigation of the Indian Tariff Board, has asked that the industry should be protected by means of restriction of imports of machine tools to types or quantities not produced in India rather than high tariffs on imports. The Indian Tariff Board would like to have the views of users of machine tools in India on this suggestion so as to reach its office in Bombay by 7th April 1947 at the latest.

TEXTILE COMMISSIONER'S NOTIFICATIONS

BOMBAY, March 25 (API.) A Press Note issued by the Textile Commissioner says:

"By a notification published in the Gazette of India dated 15th March 1947, the Government of India have amended the Cotton Cloth and Yarn, (Transmission by post) Prohibition Order, 1946, and thus brought garments knitted directly from yarn within the definition of cloth. Such garments, i.e., hosiery, are, therefore, prohibited from being despatched by post without special permits issued by the Textile Commissioner. Garments stitched from knitted fabrics are already so prohibited.

BOMBAY, March 25 (API.) A Press Note issued by the Textile Commissioner says:

"The Textile Commissioner to the Government of India desires to make it clear to quota-holders in Bombay city and suburbs that cloth bought from them by buying agents on behalf of dealers of the different zones, and who are authorised by the Textile Commissioner, is not subject to tax under the Bombay Sales Tax Act. Quota-holders, therefore, should not recover any sales-tax from provincial purchasers who purchase goods from them for purposes of despatch to stations outside the Bombay zone."

Liaquat Ali's Relief To Big Business

President Clarifies Discussion Of Political Questions In Finance Bill Debate

NEW DELHI, March 25 (A.P.I.): The Finance Member, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, announced in the Central Assembly today that after careful consideration the Government were prepared to accept amendments to the Business Profits Tax to the following effect:

With regard to abatement as provided for in the Bill, instead of 6 and 5 per cent, a uniform figure of 6 per cent would be acceptable, and with regard to the rate of tax, instead of 25 per cent, a rate of sixteen-and-two-thirds would be acceptable to the Government.

As regards the Capital Gains Tax the Government would be willing to accept an amendment to exclude personal effects from capital gains.

The House resumed discussion on the Finance Bill after the Finance Member, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan's announcement on the Taxation proposals.

Prof. N. G. Ranga (Congress) congratulated the Government on having reached a compromise and said he was glad that the Government as a whole now stood by the proposals.

Charging the Finance Department experts with trying to underestimate revenues and over-estimating expenditure, Prof. Ranga said that but for this inefficiency on their part, the taxation proposals could have been framed more or less on the basis of the compromise formula now reached on the Business Profits Tax Bill and the Capital Gains Tax Bill.

Prof. Ranga recalled that a number of taxes were still falling heavily on the poor such as the Betel Nut Tax and said that despite the Finance Member's assurance that he would endeavour to remove these taxes, nothing had yet been done. The former Finance Member, Sir Archibald Rowlands, had promised to set up a Taxation Enquiry Committee. What had happened to this proposal, he asked. Prof. Ranga also complained that the handloom weavers, cotton growers and sugar-cane growers—who used to receive help from the Government in the past—had received no help from the Finance Member this year.

RANGA'S PLEA FOR CENTRAL PLANNING

Prof. Ranga complained that there was no central planning. Of course, the Finance Member, did not himself believe in it; he believed in regional planning. But he (Prof. Ranga) would submit that there would still be need for co-ordinated Central planning even granting that there were two nations in the country.

POLITICS IN ASSEMBLY

Mr. T. V. Satakopachari urged the President to allow the members, in conformity with democratic practice elsewhere in the world, to discuss future policies and large politics of the country in the House.

Mr. L. K. Maitra, supporting Mr. Satakopachari stated it had been the previous practice to discuss such things in the House. In fact, the late Mr. Bhulabhai Desai and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan used to take up more time for politics during previous debates on the Finance Bill than for other subjects.

Mr. Balkrishna Sharma pointed out it was really very difficult to draw a line of demarcation between what could be said to be the activities of the departments of the Government of India and the political questions or future policies. In fact they overlapped each other very much.

Mr. N. V. Gadgil agreed that refusal of supplies before removal of grievances was an accepted principle, but asked whether it had been ensured that the political grievances were within the authority and jurisdiction of the Government to remove. In the past, such grievances had been ventilated in the House for they were in a way directed against the British Government and the Secretary of State, but the whole position had changed since then.

PRESIDENT'S CLARIFICATION

The President took the opportunity, at this stage, to clarify what he had said yesterday. Some references to the larger political questions might be permissible. The question was really one of sense of appreciation as to how far these references might be made and how long they should be made. The position had been clarified by Mr. Gadgil but, whether there was any changed in the character of the Government or otherwise, the principle of refusal of supplies was that the Government to whom supplies were being voted was responsible for the grievances and was in a position to give some relief in respect of those grievances. That was the correct outline within which discussions had to proceed.

It would be better, the President added, not to go into matters which were not concerned with the administration. He was not actuated in saying this by the present very delicate situation obtaining in the country, although in common with everyone else, we would like to have an atmosphere of peace. He would not want to restrict anybody's opportunity for criticising the Government of India or its administration.

Mr. T. V. Satakopachari, continuing his speech, pleaded for a more advanced Central irrigation scheme to bring Kharif lands under cultivation and drain the swamps. Unless this was done, there was no chance of increasing food production in the country. Part of the money now being spent in purchasing food from abroad might be diverted to the purpose of bringing waterless but fertile lands under cultivation.

OPEN GENERAL KITCHENS

Mr. Vellingiri Gounder said that the Food Deparment should be overhauled and organised on a permanent and rational basis. In areas where scarcity prevailed, Government should open general kitchens In regard to the 15 crores which the Centre had subsidised on imported foodgrains, Mr. Gounder asked whether Indian States had borne any portion of this amount

Sardar Vinchoorker welcomed the abolition of Salt Tax. Without impairing the efficiency of the administration Government should resort to retrenchment wherever possible he said

Mr. S. S. Sanyal dwelt on the food problem and said that there should be "graded rationing and graded subsidy."

PERMIT FREE MANUFACTURE OF SALT

Pandit Thakurdas Bhargava said that the abolition of Salt Tax would not bring sufficient relief if it was not accompanied by permission for the free manufacture of salt. The regulations concerning salt manufacture should be made less rigid.

Pandit Thakurdas urged that Government should earmark at least a crore of rupees for the education of Harijans.

ABDUL GHANI ATTACKS POLITICAL DEPT.

Khan Abdul Ghani Khan, speaking on the Tribal problem, strongly attacked the Political Departmen. India, he knew meant friendship to the Tribes and wanted to help them but the right type of men should be sent to express our love and friendship.

The Governor, who dealt with Tribal territory, was not responsible to the Foreign Affairs Department Even if he was he did not care a fig. India and the Interim Government, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and his colleagues, might be full of goodwill and noble intentions but it was Olaf Caroe who appointed the Political agents, men who were out of sympathy with the new policy.

The Political Department looked upon the Interim Government as a little joke and upon its leader as a nicely brought up but foolish adeolist. For Olaf Caroe and his type who were born in the Political Service and Department, the Labour Government was a visitation from the devil and they hated Attlee as much as they hated Manatma Gandhi.

Each one of them was to the Pathan a symbol of Churchill, Wellingdon and the devil. How did we expect these people to express our will to our neighbours? They must go. If we could not do that, there was no use talking of a five-year or ten-year plan for the Tribal Territory.

SURRENDER TO BIG BUSSINESS

Mr. Iamiruddin Khan said that he received with mixed feelings the announcement of the compromise on budget proposals. "It looks very much like capitulation on the part of the present Government to big business. But it is gratifying that the Government have capitulated enbloc and the rift that appeared in the ranks of the Government has disappeared. That gives me satisfaction; otherwise the compromise does not give any satisfaction to this side of the house (Muslim League). posals as champions of the capitalists, ed the opponents of the budget proposals as champions of the capitalists.

Mr Geoffrey Tyson, congratulated the Finance Member on the endurance he had shown during the general debate at the select committee and thereafter.

The House adjourned till tomorrow when Mr. Tyson will resume his speech.

The Hon'ble Sir Patrick Spens, Chief Justice of India, admini stering the oaths to Viscount Louis Mountbatten at the swearing-in ceremony.

MADRAS ASSEMBLY RESUMES BUDGET SESSION

MADRAS, March 25, (A.P.I.): Amidst enthusiastic scenes, the Madras Legislative Assembly resumed its budget session this morning with the eight new imnisters occupying the Treasury benches.

There was full attendance and the gallaries were packed to capacity.

Dr. P. Subarayan, who has been appointed as the Leader of the House, was the first Minister to enter the Assembly Chambers and took his seat at the head of Treasury Bench. The New Premier, Mr. Omandur Ramaswamy Reddiar, sat next to him along with the other ministers.

The arrival of Mr. T. Prakasam, the former Premier, was the signal for loud cheering from the members of the House as well as visitors in the galleries.

Mr. Prakasam warmly shook hands with everyone of the minisers and occupied a front seat.

The Leader of the Muslim League Party, Mr. Mohamed Ismail, wanted to know from the Speaker whether the present Ministry was complete with eight members or whether there would be any addition.

Dr. P. Subbarayan, Leader of the House, replying to the question said that it was too early for him to say anything on the matter.

PRAKASAM EXPLAINS

Mr. T. Prakasam, the ex Premier, made a statement in the Assembly today on the circumstances under which his Ministry had resigned. Mr Prakasam said that the formation of groups among Congressmen for "Petty Things" was the cause of the resignation. He regretted that members of a great organisation like the Congress should have come into variance on small matters. It was highly regrettable that such a misfortune should have be-fallen this province.

"My resignation is not a misfortune to me", he added. "I have come to a stage when I can take all things alike Success or reverse does not affect me personally. This is what I feel and what I should enjoin upon others. It was my endeavour that we should rise to a high level in our deliberations.

Mr. Prakasam had not concluded his speech when the Assembly adjourned to meet again tomorrow morning when he will continue his statement.

MADRAS, March 25, (U.P.I.): The United Press of India understands that the formation of the new Madras Ministry will be completed the addition of some more names by about April 1. The delay in the announcement of further names is due to the fact that the total strength of the Ministry is not yet fixed. The consensus of opinion among the various group leaders in the party appears to be to fix 12 as the total number.

In this connection it is learnt that Mr. O. P. Ramaswami Reddiar, Premier, will shortly be proceeding to Delhi towards the end of this week in order to decide about the strength of the Ministry in consultation with the Congress High Command. Mr. Reddiar is likely to see the Congress President and also Sardar Patel, Chairman of the All-India Congress Parliamentary Board, and other Congress Leaders in Delhi.

Meanwhile, the inclusion in the Ministry of Messrs. Kala Venkata Rao (Andhra), Daniel Thomae (Tamil Nad Christian), Krumayyya (Andhra Harijan) who resigned his Ministership from the Prakasham Cabinet, and A. B. Shety (Karnataka) appear to certain. In case the Ministry's strength is fixed at a figure higher than 12, Mr. Avinashlingam Chettiar who resigned recently from the Prakasham Cabinet, Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai (Harijan Tamil Nad) and Mr. Pallam Raju (Andhra) are likely to be included.

OCCUPATION FORCES IN GERMANY

U. S. To Table Formal Resolution At Moscow Conference

MOSCOW, March 25, (Reuter): The United States Delegation to the Foreign Minister's Conference is to submit a formal resolution that the Control Council in Germany be instructed to reduce the size of the occupation forces in all the four zones of Germany, it was understood today cables Sylvain Mangeot, Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent.

The resolution has been drawn up, it was learned, to enable Germany to become self-supporting as soon as products to export by reducing consumption and to devote more available possible and to devote more available sumption by the occupation forces of local produces. The United States proposal suggests that the Control Council shall determine how many troops are required for the security of all the zones of Germany for the year beginning July 1 next and report its findings to the Council of Foreign Ministers not later than June 1 next.

COMPROMISE OVER AUSTRIAN CAUSES

At today's meeting of the Foreign Ministers' Deputies for Austria, M. Fedor Gusev, the Soviet representative, accepted a compromise on more than half a dozen disputed clauses of the Austrian treaty, which the Deputies had been trying to resolve since their meetings in London at the beginning of the year, cables David Brown, Reuter's Correspondent.

The clauses are in the annexes of the economic and military sections of the Treaty.

These items have now been fully agreed and have been removed from the list of unagreed subjects which eventually will go to the Council of Foreign Ministers for a solution.

The Soviet Representative was also placing before the Deputies, who achieved their greatest progress so far, a new proposal on evacuation of displaced persons from Austria.

VIET NAM REPUBLIC CHIEF ALIVE

Underground Leader Denies Report "Deliberately Spread By Pro-French Sources"

SAIGON, March 25 (Reuter). An underground Viet-Namese (Indo-Chinese Nationalist) leader declared here today that "Dr. Ho Chi Minh is alive and will answer as soon as the French Government announced a desire to contact him. "He was referring to unconfirmed rumours that Dr. Ho Chi Minh, President of the Viet Nam Republic, the forces of which have been fighting the French since December, was dead.

The underground leader added: "The story is part of a whisper campaign deliberately spread by pro-French sources in Saigon to confuse the annamite ranks on the eve of the arrival of the new High Commissioner and to support a continuation of the military campaign against the Nationalists rather than seek a settlement directly with Dr. Ho Chi Minh". (M. Emile Bolleart was recently appointed French High Commissioner for Indo-China succeeding Admiral Thierry D'Argenlieu).

Assam League Chief Against Blood-Shed

SHILLONG, March 25 (U.P.I.): It is now learnt that non-observance of the Pakistan Day in Shillong on last Sunday was due to a last minute advice from Mr. Saadulla, former League Premier of Assam.

It is stated that although enthusiasts pressed for the observance of the Day, Mr. Saadulla advised them not to do so as in his view Pakistan could never be established by bloodshed.

This expression of the province's foremost League leader is interpreted here as his denunciation of the present aggressive policy of the immigrant Leaguers who have started mass action in the immigrant areas in the Assam Valley resulting in some cases of police firing and deaths therefrom.

LONDON, March 25, (Reuter): For his services to the forces during military operations in South East Asia prior to Sept. 3 Say Po Htin of Kyowaing village Thaton District Burma has been made a Member of the British Empire.

B.E.S.T. Strike Continues

Overcrowding In Trains Results In Fatal Cases

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The strike of the 8,000 odd workers of the B.E.S.T., continues to-day and Bombayites had to trudge to their jobs for the second day.

Overcrowding in trains has assumed such dangerous proportions, that one hardly finds a place to stand in a railway compartment during rush hours. As a result of extreme overcrowding there were two fatal cases within an hour yesterday evening on local trains. A person fell down from a train near the Central Station and died on the spot.

About the same time another passenger who was thrown off the footboard of a train near Charni Road succumbed to his injuries.

Risk or no risk people are compelled to travel in overpacked trains, at times clinging to the footboard or just hanging on to a stanchion.

Whether people have to foot it or crowd in trains and die as a result of it, the strikers don't appear to be concerned one bit. Their determination to continue the strike as long as their demands are not fully conceded seems to be growing firmer with every added hour of public suffering.

Government also apparently has not made up its mind as to what to do, as no other steps beyond an appeal issued by the Labour Commissioner have been taken.

The appeal says: "You struck work on Sunday night. You have already lost Rs. 60,000 in wages. You can never make up that loss. You have put the people of Bombay to a lot of inconvenience and hardship. You put seven lakhs of passengers to trouble who have to go by taxi, gharry or walk it out. They suffer discomfort and heavy loss of time. You could have avoided all this. Justice was and is available through adjudication."

Thousands of copies of this appeal in English and in other provincial languages will be distributed among the strikers.

Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, it is learnt, had a talk with Mr. C. C. Guilford, the General Manager of B.E.S.T. for three quarters of an hour yesterday evening, but the outcome of the talks is not known.

Mr. Nanda, it is understood, had informal talks with the local editors at the Secretariat in the afternoon on the tram and bus strike situation.

OIL FIND NEAR SINAI DESERT

CAIRO, March 24 (Reuter): The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey have discovered oil near Wadi Baba area of the Sinai Desert, about 200 miles south-east of the Suez along the Gulf of Suez coast, it was reported here today.

The discovery, described as "Promising" was made three weeks ago and is the first in ten years' prospecting by Standard Oil in Sinai, where they have had concession since before the war.

The discovery is not far from Ras Suda, where the Anglo-Egyptian oilfields drilled an oil well in March last.

ASSAM BAN ON LEAGUE COUNCIL MEMBER

SYLHET, March 24, (A.P.I.): An order under the Assam Public Safety Ordinance, banning his entry in Darrang District, has been served on Mr. Mohidur Raja Choudhury, member of All-India Muslim League Council.

MR. GULZARILAL NANDA, Minister for Labour, addressing the Bombay Editors on B. E. S. T. strike.

TESTING TIME FOR LABOUR

LONDON, March 25, (Reuter): The Urban and Rural District elections to be held throughout England over this week-end are expected to provide a clear indication of the extent to which the recent 'industrial crisis through fuel shortage has affected the prestige of the Labour Government, wries Fraser Wighton, Reuter's Political Correspondent.

Labour supporters discussing this week's probabilities regard large fresh gains as practically impossible partly because of the successes last year which gave them control in so many more councils and partly because they admittedly have now reached the hard core of conservative resistance.

AMERICAN FASCISM

PARIS, March 25. (U.P.A.): Two hundred thousand French Unionists, in a mass demonstration today, denounced American policy in Greece as "imperialistic" and called for an immediate cessation of the French war in Indo-China.

As part of the nation-wide protest by nearly 4,500,000 French workers, the Paris group walked off their jobs two hours early and converged in six huge parades on the Champs de Mars where they heard speeches by leaders of the General Workers' Confederation.

Eugene Henaff, general secretary of the Paris branch of the Confederation, told them: "Truman's aim through the supposed financal aid to Greece is to uphold the Fascist Government there. He is being applauded by the Fascists in Franco Spain".

Nazi Scientists And U. S. Government

WASHINGTON, March 25 (U.P.A.): Claiming that Nazi scientists learned how to make atomic bombs as employees of the army and navy, Democratic Representative Thomas J. Lane told the House of Representatives, "We imported these one-time enemies to help us and have blissfully closed our eyes to the fact that in doing so we may be giving them the know-how to launch another blitzkrieg for which there will be no defense."

Lane said he would introduce a Bill to prohibit the use of German Nazi scientists by the Federal Government.

PRINCE ALY KHAN IN KARACHI

KARACHI, March 25 (API.) Prince Aly Khan, eldest son of Aga Khan, arrived in Karachi from Bombay by air today.

During his stay here he will visit some districts and meet the members of the Khoja community.

He will return to Karachi on Thursday night and leave the next morning for London.

NEWS IN BRIEF

DAMASCUS, March 25 (Reuter). Turkish authorities have closed the frontier with Syria over a 100-mile stretch after an outbreak of plague some thirty miles inside Turkey.

Mass vaccinations of the people in the threatened areas are to be carried out by Syrian authorities.

The last outbreak of Bubonic plague in the middle east was in Haifa, Palestine, in 1944.

WASHINGTON, March 24 (Reuter). The Policy Committee of the National Federation of Telephone Workers voted to call a nation-wide strike on the Bell Telephone system at 11 a.m. (G.M.T.) (4-30 p.m. I.S.T.) on April 7. The proposed strike will involve 287,000 members of 39 unions. The dispute between the workers and the company arises from a difference over contracts.

ALLAHABAD, March 25, (U.P.I.): The publishing firm of Messrs. Ram Narain Lal of Allahabad has just brought out a book called "Iqbal the Poet and his Message" at which Dr. Sachchidananda Sinha had been at work for the last nine years.

24-HOUR CURFEW IMPOSED IN GURGAON

Lahore Continues To Be Quiet: But Occasional Attempts At Incendiarism Reported

LAHORE, March 25 (A.P.I.): Lahore continues to be quiet, but there are occasional attempts at incendiarism. One such attempt was made on the night of 22/23rd and the other on the night of 23/24th. One more stabbing incident is reported this time from the Moghalpura area. The firing incident near Nhouburji estate appears to have been a private affair.

One case of attempted incendiarism occurred in Jandiala on the 23rd, otherwise there has been no incident in the Amritsar District.

All other districts in the Lahore Division report everything quiet.

The riot in Kartarpur on the 22nd was brought under control at once and extra police were sent from Jullundur. Elsewhere in the district the situation is unchanged.

The Superintendent of Police with troops visited Jagraon and Raikot on the 24th and the situation in the latter place has eased considerably.

In Ferozepore, Hoshiarpur and Kangra all is quiet.

Ambala, Karnal, Rohtak, Hissar and Simla report everything quiet, but communal bitterness still exists.

In Hodal, Gurgaon District, the Superintendent of Police reports all is under control. A 24-hour curfew has been enforced and the trouble has not spread to the surrounding villages. The total casualties in the village amounted to nine dead and about 20 injured. About a dozen shops and houses occupied by poor people have been burnt. A company of troops has been stationed in the town.

There have been no fresh incidents in Multan City or District. Hindu shops in the city opened on the 24th and Muslim shops in Hindu areas opened on the 25th for the first time since the riot broke out.

Muzaffargarh, Dera Ghazi Khan, Jhang and Lyallpur remain quiet, and there has been no further trouble in Montgomery District. Police and military are patrolling the Renala and Okara areas.

No fresh incidents have occurred anywhere in the Rawalpindi Division and there are signs of definite improvement all over, though there is considerable tension everywhere.

SHOT IN LAHORE STREET

LAHORE, March 25. (A.P.I.): A sensation was caused in the Hauburji area, Lahore, last night when an unknown assailant fired a pistol shot at a young man returning home from a walk.

The victim who was wounded in the arm, is reported to be out of danger.

Enquiries showed that the incident had communal bearing.

Inquiry Into Hazara Incidents

PESHAWAR, March 25 (A.P.I.). It is understood that the Frontier Government has decided to hold an official enquiry into the incidents in Manshera in Hazara District which took place last Friday.

ONE DEAD IN DELHI DISTURBANCES

District Magistrate Issues Stern Warning To Public

NEW DELHI, March 25. (A.P.I.): A Press Note issued by the District Magistrate says:

"Stray assaults took place this afternoon in the area between Dariba Kalan and Juma Masjid and in Bazar Sitaram. Five persons were injured one of whom has died. Police and Military are patrolling the affected area.

The Pathan who was stabbed in Dariba Kalan was stabbed by another Pathan following some quarrel.

The District Magistrate has issued a public warning that areas in which stray assaults take place hereafter will be submitted to 24-hour curfew. He has also called upon the owners and occupants of houses near which stray assaults take place to report the incidents to the nearest Police Station or Police Officer. Failure to do so will render them liable for penal action.

FOUR AHARIYAS BURNT ALIVE

LUCKNOW, March 25. (A.P.I.) Four Ahariyas, members of the Scheduled Castes, are reported to have been burnt alive in a village in Aligarh District, according to Mr. Ganga Prasad, M.L.A., (Scheduled Caste Congress) who proposes to table a short notice question on the subject in the current session of the U. P. Legislative Assembly.

WAVELL TO REPORT TO PREMIER

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, March 25.

LORD WAVELL, IT IS BELIEVED, WILL RETIRE FROM PUBLIC LIFE AND DEVOTE HIMSELF TO WRITING. HIS IMMEDIATE PROBLEM IS TO FIND A HOUSE.

REPORT TO PREMIER

REUTER: Field-Marshal Lord Wavell, the retiring Viceroy, who returns to England from New Delhi to-day, will see Prime Minister Clement Attlee at Number 10, Downing Street at an early moment and give him a full report on the Indian political situation, cables Fraser Wighton, Reuter's political correspondent.

The Prime Minister in turn will acquaint the British Cabinet with the details of this report—probably at its meeting next Tuesday. Lord Wavell will confer with the Secretary of State for India, Lord Pethick-Lawrence.

ATTLEE'S INTEREST

Mr. Attlee's personal identification with the India political problem continues to be marked. Those who have been following the situation in India since the Labour Government took Office, have been impressed not only by his wide knowledge of the situation and his deep interest in it, but also by his readiness to see Indian self-determination realised in as short a time as possible.

Although a great deal of detail of the negotiations naturally falls upon the shoulders of the members of the Cabinet Mission, and notably Sir Stafford Cripps, Mr. Attlee continues to be recognised as the mainspring of continuous effort on India.

NEW DELHI, March 25 (A. P. I.): On the eve of his departure from India, the late Viceroy, Field-Marshal Viscount Wavell, in a letter addressed to Field-Marshal Sir Claude Auchinleck, Commander-in-Chief in India, congratulated those concerned for the excellent work done by the army in establishing control in the Punjab.

ARRIVAL IN LONDON

Field-Marshal Lord Wavell, the retiring Viceroy of India, landed at the Northolt Airport near London this afternoon from India.

Lord Wavell was welcomed by Lord Pethick-Lawrence, Secretary of State for India, Lord Henderson, Lord-in-Waiting, representing the King, Mr. A. V. Alexander, Minister for Defence, Sir David Monteath, permanent Under-Secretary, and Mr. Arthur Henderson, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State.

Lord Wavell interviewed at the airport by Reuter said:

"I am sure my successor will be able to help India to the final stages without disturbance so that we shall be able to complete our task in India to the best advantage of all the inhabitants. I hope we shall hand over a United India which will still maintain the connections with the British Commonwealth."

Lord and Lady Wavell looked very bronzed and seemed throughly to have enjoyed their air trip of two days from India. There was really a family re-union right under the great wings of the 'York', Royal Air Force Transport Command Plane.

Royal Air Force personnel formed a guard of honour and a large number of airport personnel hurried on to Tarmac in order to catch a glimpse of the ex-Viceroy.

SHED FEAR AND BE COURAGEOUS

Mahatma's Call To Hindus In Noakhali

PATNA March 25. (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi stated in his post-prayer speech this evening at the Bankipur Maidan that the Hindus of Noakhali should shed fear and be courageous.

It did not matter if in taking such a stand they were all killed and all their houses were burnt, he added and pointed out that if the Muslims chose to act in such a manner, they would be doing the greatest disservice to themselves. He wanted, however, the Muslims to act as true followers of Islam and not indulge in such acts.

Mahatma Gandhi was referring to a report brought to him by a Hindu friend from Noakhali that the condition there had deteriorated after his departure. He told the friend that he was doing the work of Noakhali from Bihar. He wanted that there should be uniformity of conduct of both Hindus and Muslims everywhere. If the Hindus of Noakhali had any complaints they should make them to Mr. Suhrawardy and, if it was necessary, he would himself write to the Chief Minister of Bengal on the matter.

Mahatma Gandhi deprecated the practice of economic boycott by one community against another. A Muslim friend told him today, he said, that since the disturbances started in Bihar, Hindus had been boycotting the market place situated on his lands. He took a serious view of the matter and asked the Hindus to retrace their steps if they were actually guilty of the charge.

Colville Congratulates Mountbatten

His Excellency the Governor of Bombay sent a telegram to H. E. Lord Louis Mountbatten congratulating him on the assumption of office.

The telegram said on behalf of the Governor and the people of the province "I congratulate Your Excellency on the assumption of Your High Office and send you our best wishes for success in the great task which lies ahead of you.

Please convey our greetings to Her Excellency."

H. E. Lord Louis Mountbatten replied, "Thank you very much for your good wishes which we both much appreciated".

DARING HOLD-UP OF PASSENGER LORRY

LYALLPUR, March 25, (A.P.I.): The report of a daring hold-up of a passenger lorry eleven miles from Lyallpur is received here.

The Lyallpur and Tandianwala police are investigating.

FOUR TEMPLES OPENED TO HARIJANS

PATIALA, March 25, (A.P.I.): Four temples have been thrown open to Harijans by caste Hindus in the city.

FAMOUS GUJARATI POET DEAD

AHMEDABAD, March 25, (A.P.I.): Lalitji, a Gujarati poet, died this morning at Lathi in Kathiawar. He was aged seventy-one.

LADY MOUNTBATTEN

NEW DELHI, March 25 (A. P. I.): Mrs. Sarojini Naidu who was to have had an interview to-day with Lady Mountbatten was unable to fulfil the engagement owing to indisposition.

Begum Liaquat Ali Khan met Lady Mountbatten today by an invitation

SHAPE OF INDIA'S NEW CONSTITUTION

Constituent Assembly Issues Questionnaire

What should be the designation of the Head of the Indian Union? How should he be chosen? What should be his functions of Office? Should the Union Executive, be of the British type (parliamentary) or the American type (non-parliamentary) or the Swiss type (mixed) or any other type? How should the Union Legislature be constituted? What provisions should be made for the adequate representation of different communities and interests?

These and many other similar questions, bearing on the salient features of the new Constitution form the subject matter of an elaborate Questionnaire addressed by the Constitutional Adviser to all members of the Central and Provincial Legislature throughout the country.

This is being done to facilitate the work of framing a new Constitution before June, 1948, the intention being to collate the answers and make the material available to members of the Constituent Assembly at its next session. In order to help members of the Legislatures to answer the questions a brief explanatory note has been inserted under each question.

The Questionnaire is divided subject-wise—Head of the State, Judiciary, Executive, Legislative, Amendments to Constitution. The Questionnaire deals only with the Constitution of the Centre, but most of the questions apply 'mutatis mutandis' to the provincial sphere also. Those to whom this Questionnaire has been addressed have been asked to send in their replies before April 10, 1947.

The Questionnaire

A. HEAD OF THE INDIAN UNION.

1. What should be the designation of the Head of the Indian Union?
2. How should he be chosen?
3. What should be his term of office?
4. Should he be eligible for re-election?
5. Should the office rotate among the different communities in turn? If so, how?
6. Assuming that the Indian Union is to have a President as its Head, should there be a Vice-President or Vice-Presidents?
7. What should be the term of office of a Vice-President?
8. What should be the functions of the President.
9. What should be the functions of the Vice-President?
10. Should the President be liable to removal? If so, in what manner.
11. How is a temporary vacancy in the office of the President to be filled?

B. EXECUTIVE.

12. What should be the nature and type of the Union Executive? Should it be of the British type (Parliamentary) or the American type (Non-Parliamentary) or the Swiss type (mixed) or any other type?
13. If parliamentary, should there be any special provision to secure a stable Executive?
14. What should be the composition of the Executive? What should be the maximum, if any, of the number of Ministers?
15. Should provision be made to secure representation of different communities on the Executive? If so, how?
16. How should joint responsibility or co-ordination be secured?
17. How should the members of the Executive be chosen?
18. What provisions should be made for the removal of the Executive?
19. What should be the nature of relations between the Head of the Union and the Executive?

C. LEGISLATURE.

20. Should the Union Legislature have a Single Chamber or two Chambers?
21. If bicameral, how should the two Houses be constituted?
22. What provisions should be made for the adequate representation of different communities and interests?
23. What should be (a) composition, (b) franchise, (c) electorate, (d) constituencies, (e) methods of election and (f) allocation of seats in respect of the Union Legislature?
24. What should be the term of the Union Legislature?
25. If bicameral, what should be the relative powers of the two Houses? What provision should be made to resolve deadlocks?

D. JUDICIARY.

26. Should there be a separate chain of courts to administer Union Laws?

E. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

27. What provisions should be made regarding amendments to the Constitution?

PLANS FOR A NEW LONDON GETTING READY

LONDON, (IPS): Plans for a new London are being studied by the L.C.C. authorities in London. The schemes for the South Bank of the Thames would mean a centre of activity for civilised beings. It includes a new national theatre, a centre for music, conference halls, cafes. From county hall to London Bridge would be trees and gardens. South London would get two or three big parks. The ugly Charing Cross Railway Bridge will go.

Germans Can't Be Guests

LONDON, (IPS): British girls invited to dances attended by frauleins must be told beforehand that Germans will be present. This is one of the rules issued by the British authorities in Germany on relations with Germans. Another rule enjoins that no German man or woman can enter a mess or club even as a guest. The only possible social contact with respectable Germans is in the midst of misery and need of every day German life.

CHECKING BULLION SPECULATION

Liaquat Says Capital Gains Tax Will Be A Deterrent

NEW DELHI, March 25 (API):—Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, member for External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations, stated in the Central Assembly that these two departments were in the process of amalgamation, which would be effected by stages.

Pandit Nehru, who was speaking during discussion on a motion for the election of Standing Committees for the two departments, said that he had no objection to enlarging the scope of the Committees but he should like to point out that there were many matters concerning Foreign Affairs which were supposed to be very secret "about which we cannot even inform sometimes our own colleagues. It is not a question of secrecy with our own people but secrecy in regard to the rest of the world."

Replying to Mr. Manu Subedar's suggestion that Government should acquire silver at world price which was lower than the India price and sell them here so that the state could benefit by the profits, the Finance Member said that the matter was under examination.

SPECULATION IN MARKETS

Seth Govind Das asked whether any steps were being taken to stop speculation in the bullion markets. The Finance Member replied that the proposed capital gains tax would be an effective check on speculation and further measures were under examination.

The Archaeological Museum at Taxila was safe and intact after the recent disturbances at Taxila, said the Education Member, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad replying to Sardar N. G. Vinchoorkar. Steps were taken to ensure the safety of the Taxila collections Maulana Azad said, certain of the more valuable specimens had been removed from Taxila the permanent police guard at the Museum had been armed with rifles and shot guns; The Taxila curator was in contract with the local military authorities and the Commissioner of the Rawalpindi Division had been in touch with the situation and was taking a personal interest.

Search For Legendary Treasure

SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, March 23 (Reuter): The President of Costa Rica yesterday granted concessions to Senora Zuria Quiros Gonzalez to carry out a search of Cocos Island in the Pacific for a legendary treasure, said to have been buried there by the famous Welsh, Sir Henry Morgan.

Cocos Island, a tiny lovely almost uninhabited spot, 450 miles out in the Pacific, off the coast of Central America, belongs to Costa Rica. If the woman leader of the new expedition strikes the treasure, 40 per cent of it will go to the State.

There have been many searches for the treasure said to have been buried in Cocos Island. Some of the legends go back to centuries.

The latest treasure hoard was reputed to have been buried in a natural cave on Cocos Island, when in 1821 the citizens of Lima, the wealthy capital of Peru, fearing onslaught of Simon Bolivar, "Liberator", put quantities of bullion from the city's banks, jewels from churches and other treasure on board a ship belonging to Captain Thompson and asked him to sail for safety.

Thompson is said to have butchered his passengers and to have concealed the treasure on Cocos Island.

Since then many expeditions have searched for the cave and its treasures without ever finding it or any of earlier hoards thought to have been buried amidst palms and dense vegetation of the island.

R.I.N. Lieutenant Arrested

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Francis Petz, a lieutenant in the R. I. N. was arrested by the Bombay C. I. D. yesterday for alleged illegal possession of arms. Two hand grenades were, it is stated, recovered by the Police when they searched his room in Coover Villa, Colaba.

The accused was arrested near the India Coffee House, the Police receiving information that he was in possession of a revolver without a license.

He was released on bail by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court today.

BEVIN SEES STALIN

Visit Officially Described As Courtesy One

MOSCOW, March 24 (Reuter): Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Foregn Secretary, visited Generalissimo Stalin at Kremlin tonight. Mr. Bevin was accompanied by the British Ambassador, Sir Maurice Peterson, and his Private Secretary.

The visit is officially described as a courtesy visit.

There are, however, naturally no limits to what the two statesmen may discuss during such a meeting, says Sylvain Mangeot, Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent. As no official disclosures are immediately likely on the subject of discussions, the field is wide open for speculation.

Mr. Bevin told the Soviet Foreign Minister M. Molotov two days ago that he would like to see Generalissimo Stalin and the visit was arranged some time yesterday.

Speculation will naturally centre mainly round the possibly that extension and revision of the Anglo-Soviet alliance came up for discusion at the Kremlin tonight. There is no suggestion that conversations on the alliance are so urgent that immediate completion cannot be delayed, but it is assumed that they will be held in Moscow before Mr. Bevin leaves.

Apart from any possible reference to treaty revision the following are considered the most probable subjects of mutual interest which the two statesmen may wish to discuss in Moscow either at today's or subsequent meetings:

On Stalin's side—(1) A definition of British policy in the conduct of Anglo-Soviet relations in the light of President Truman's speech and his proclamation of "American policy of economic intervention to halt the expansion of world communism."

(2) A definition of the significance of the recent 50-year alliance between France and England.

(3) Any subjects arising out of the current conference discussions on Germany.

On Mr. Bevin's side:—(1) General definition of Britain's intention towards fulfilment of the Anglo-Soviet alliance and a request that it should be extended to a 50-year alliance.

(2) The possibility of reaching an international understanding between the Allies in order to avoid the major Allies taking sides in civil wars or potential civil wars by encouraging rival elements as instrument of foreign policy.

(3) Any subjects arising out of the current discussions on Gremany.

Commons Bill For Transfer Of Power To India

Not Expected Till March Next Year

LONDON, March 24 (Reuter): Many members of parliament to-day signed a telegram to India's New Viceroy, Admiral Viscount Mountbatten expressing their good wishes to him at the outset of his great task, cables Fraser Wighton, Reuter's Political Correspondent.

Political quarters in London think that the Bill authorising the transfer of power from Britain to India 14 months hence should have been piloted through British Parliament by March of next year assuming necessary progress of events in India itself.

On present expectations the Bill is not expected to make its appearance before Christmas, though responsible quarters here say that if the situation in India develops more smoothly, than seems possible meanwhile, the transfer certainly will not be delayed by events at this end.

Observers are reluctant to predict the kind of legislation that will be introduced to give effect to the transfer of power until there is a clear picture here of the probable constitutional situation in India at the time of the change-over.

There is special corps of constitutional draughtsmen whose work it is to shape the British Parliament Bill but they will not be able to tackle the work in real earnest for some time yet.

POLICE OPEN FIRE ON STRIKERS

MADRAS, March 25. (A.P.I.): The police opened fire yesterday morning on a crowd of labourers resulting in injuries to some persons at Chilakaluripeta, a village 30 miles from Guntur, according to information received here. The number of injured persons is not known.

It is Reported that firing was resorted to when a certain section of the labourers of the National Tobacco Company at Chilakaluripeta who are on strike pelted stones at the police and obstructed some workers, who were entering the Company premises to resume work.

WORTH STREET TRADING QUIET

NEW YORK, March 24. (UPA).

Quiet trading featured today's session of the Worth Street Cotton Cloth Market. Mill prices on standard prints and sheetings continued to be strong. A mail order chainstore was buying finished goods considerably ahead of the 1946 rate, but elsewhere converters were cautious until the extent of the price resistence was clear.

CHICAGO WHEAT ACTIVE STRONG

CHICAGO, March 24. (U.P.A.): Active trading and strong prices featured to-day's session of the Chicago Commodity Exchange.

In the course of the session, recent short sellers hurriedly retired with the renewed strength in the cash situation and reports of heavy flour purchases by Italy, France and Holland against May export allocations.

CAPETOWN, March 25. (A.P.A.): It was officially stated yesterday that in the last few months more than 100,000,000 pounds in fresh capital has entered the Union of South Africa from the United Kingdom.

EMIGRATION OF GERMANS

Question To Be Discussed At Four-Power Conference

MOSCOW, March 25. (A.P.A.): The French delegation proposed to the Foreign Ministers Conference last night that a four-power Conference be convened in Paris before July 1, 1947, to organise emigration of Germans from Germany into France and other suitable countries.

At the same time the French proposed that all transfer of Germans under the Potsdam agreement from such areas as Poland and Czechoslovakia be suspended.

This action by the French was taken in connection with their plan to reduce the total population of Germany.

RUSSIA HAS NO ATOM BOMB

WASHINGTON, March 25, (Reuter): Mr. William C. Bullitt, former United States Ambassador to Moscow, told a Congress Committee tonight that if Russia had the atom bomb, "it would already have been dropped on the United States."

His statement was made to the Committee on un-American Activities which is hearing bills aimed at outlawing the Communist Party in America.

Mr. Bullitt said that in his view, "Russia will not choose to attack America until it has manufactured atom bombs in quantity and until it feels that it has an air-force stronger than that of the United States."

NEW FACTORY LEGISLATION

Health Of Workers And Public To Be Safeguarded

A radical overhauling of the present Factories Act generally on the lines of the Factories Act, 1937, of the United Kingdom, will be the object of a new Bill to be introduced by the Member for Labour in the Central Assembly during the present session.

Extension of the scope of factory law, preciser definition of rules and regulations with a view to relieving Provincial Governments and the executive from the responsibility of interpreting them, strengthening of health provisions of the present Act and arming Provincial Governments with special specific powers to be exercised when necessary are the main objects of this new legislation. The Bill also authorises Provincial Government require that every factory must be registered and take a license for working.

The present distinction between seasonal and perennial factories will be omitted. The minimum age of employment for children will be raised from 12 to 13 and their working hours reduced from 5 to 4 1/2, with powers to Provincial Governments to prescribe still higher minimum age for employment in hazardous undertakings.

LUCKNOW, March 24, (A.P.I.): The U. P. Government in a Press Note reminds Government servants, that participation in the activities of the Rashtriya Swayam Sevak Sangh is a clear contravention of Government Servants' conduct rules and is as such prohibited.

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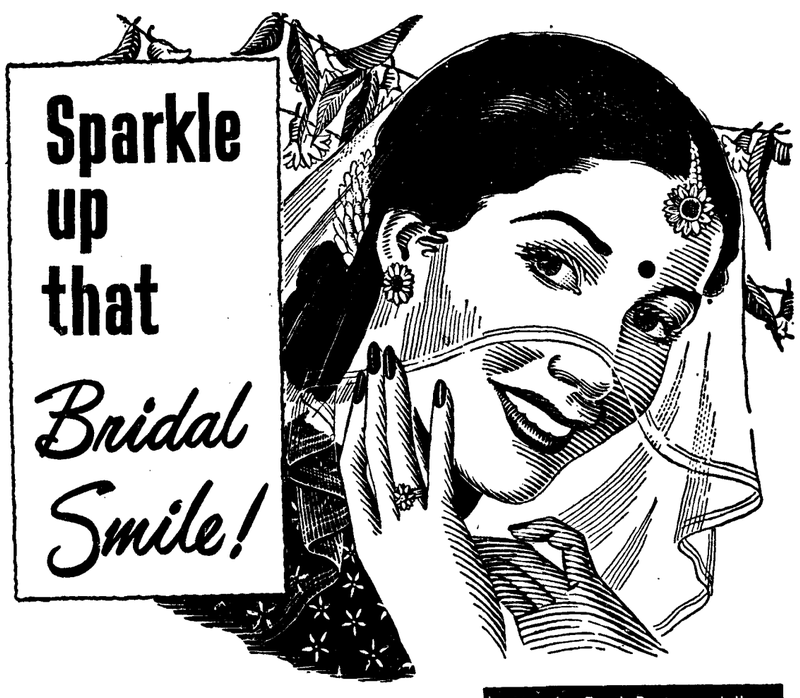

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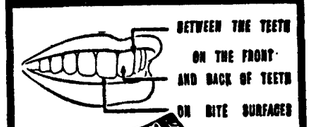

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RESTRICTED BUSINESS ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Bullion Market Quiet With Scattered Selling

COTTON RULES DULL AND PRICES MOVE WITHIN NARROW RANGE

Bombay, March 25

The Bombay Stock Exchange was quietly steady with a restricted turnover. There were several reports about the Taxation proposals and owing to sharp differences in connection with Enquiry Committee, the outlook remains uncertain and naturally traders were inclined to await further developments.

After yesterday's drop Steel shares were neglected while Textile shares made some improvement on scattered short covering. The recent upward move was accompanied by short covering and most of the short interest being covered up, the technical position is weakening.

Tata Steel Defd shares opened at Rs. 2340 and under scattered business steadied at Rs. 2335 while Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 430 and moved around Rs. 429. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 2287 and improved at Rs. 2307. Kohinoors x.d. opened at Rs. 725 and improved at Rs. 742. Simplex shares were quoted at Rs. 320. Swadeshi shares opened at Rs. 630 and advanced at Rs. 650.

Later on there was scattered business. Tata Steel Defds were quoted at Rs. 2337/8 and Bombay Dyeings changed hands at Rs. 2310. Kohinoors were quoted at Rs. 747, while Swadeshi shares were done at Rs. 654. Scindia shares were done at Rs. 32/11 while Central Bank shares opened at Rs. 129/8 and quietened at Rs. 128/8.

As a result of day's trading Tata Steel Dfds gained Rs. 2/8 while Ordinary Shares lost Rs. 2 Bombay Dyeings improved Rs. 15 Swadeshi Rs. 14 while Simplex lost Rs. 3.

MILLS SHARES.

Bombay Dyeing 2320 Kohinoor X.D.)750 Swadesh 652 Nagpur 317 Simplex 320 New Great 370 Gokak 321 Indore 27/8 Century 950 Colaba 250 Indian Bleaching 165 Swan 387 Finlay 321 Morarji 770)Edward 652/8 Meyer 273/12 Apollo 4/9 I.P. Ordinary 16/7 I.U. Defd. 3/11 Madhusudan 462/8 Podar 345 Khatav 320.

STEEL SHARES.

Tata Steel Ord. 427 Tata Steel Dfd. 2340 Second Pref. 168.

CEMENT.

Associated Merger 184/8.

INDUSTRIES.

Burma 480 Bellapur 259 Shivraja pur 41/8 Scindia 32/13 F. Construction 213 Tata Chemical 17 Tata Oil 87 Indian Iron 37/2 Bengal Steel 28/8

ELECTRIC SHARES.

Tram Ordinary 110 Tata Hydro 183 Andhra 1570 Tata Power 1670.

MILLS (CASH).

Elphinstone 90 Phoenix 1325 India Manufacturing 4300 Koorla 300 Dawn 1600 David 180 New City 260 Minerva 300 Bradbury 630 Bharucha (Defd.) 8 Bharat 55 Mysore 330 Madhavji 17 Model 216/14 Laxmi 1870 Vishnu 655 Western 4300 Standard 562 8 Sholapur 6500 Sassoon Cotton 24/8 Hindustan 4300 Tata 111 Ahmedabad Advance 530 Sassoon Silk 101 New Union 26/14 Madhusudan B. 107 Shrinivas 437/8 Raja Bahadur 116/4 Berar 375 Victoria 425.

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH).

Ahmedabad 158/12 (New) 120 Surat (Ord.) 243/12 New Pre. 211/4 Karachi 240 Broach 13 Ajmer 15/2 Amalgamated 20/4 Jalgaon 14/12 Nagpur 68 Poona 260 Bombay Suburban 202/8 Bombay Suburban (New) 164/10.

BANK SHARES.

Reserve 121/8 Imperial 2360 P. P. 585 Central 128/8 India X.D. 241 Union 13 Baroda 172 Habib 195 Dena Bank 70/8 United Commercial 90/8 Jaipur 72 Bikaner 31 Hindustan Coml. 52 National Savings (fully paid) 82 Mysore 505 Exchange (Ord.) 65 Eastern 106 Bombay Provincial 85.

INSURANCE.

Oriental 6300 Empire 975 New India 92 Jupiter 38/8 Vulcan 16/12 Indian Mercantile 65 Universal Fire 20/8 Vasant 26/4 British India General 26 Industrial Prudential 61/12 Neptune 13/6 New Great 43 All-India General 40/4.

RAILWAYS.

G. P. 107 Mymensing 113 Guaranteed 113 Sara Sirajganj 116 Pachora 101 Mandra Bhon 116.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 560 Steamer 575 Burma New 181/4 Burma Petrol 3/12 Mackenzie 185 Port Canning 90 Kemp 575 Zandu Pharmacy 202/8 Indian Radio (Ord.) 377 Indian Radio B. 375 Indian Radio 362/8 Indian Investment Trust 121/8 Wimco X. R. 266/4 Dharamsey Chemical 30 Mukund Iron 14/12 Dena Trust 25 Alembic 355 Supreme India 228 Jamwire 141/8 Bombay Uganda 85 Bombay Motor Cycle 43/8 India Cement 42 Walchand Nagar Industries 390 United Motor 70 A. C. C. New 72

PREFERENCE SHARES.

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 235 Tram 52/4 Andhra Valley 1370 Tata Power 1425 Hydro 145 Bombay Steamer 348/12 Nagpur 702/8 Swadeshi 150 Vishnu 805 Laxmi 306/4 New Great 268/12 Poddar 116 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 131/4 Brabury 553/12 Surat Elec. 211/4 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 153/12 (2nd Pref.) 122/8 Amalgamated 156/4 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 122/8 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 19/12 Supreme 107.

OUTSIDE SHARES.

Indian Copper 3/8 B.I.C. 9/8 Burma Corporation 4/11 New Victoria 6/12 New Victoria Preference 7/12 Raja 36 Phalton 140 Gold Mohar 405 New Kaiser Hind 470 Sajjan 375 Osmanshahi 322/8 Ajam Shahi 295 Air Services 19 Birla Motors 8/6 Marshall 8/8 Air India Premium 175.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE
Bombay, March 25.

Tata Ordinary 423/8 Tata Deferred 2320 Indian Iron 37/2 Steel Corpn. of Bangal 28/8 Bombay Dyeing 2300 Central India 318/2 Gokak 321/4 Kohinoor X D 742/8 Simplex 320 Swadeshi 645 Tata Power 1670 Associated Cement 148/8 Belapur 258/12 Bombay Burma (Old) 480 Scindia 32/13 Central Bank 128/8 New India 91/14 Tata 2nd Pref. 168/2

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

BOMBAY, March 25.

	Rs. as.
2-3/4 P c 1943 52	100 4
2-3/4 p c 1960	100 14
2-1/2 p c 1961	99 1
3 p c 1949 52	102 1
3 p c 1951/54	102 6
3 p c 1953/55	102 12
3 p c 1957 V. L.	102 8
3 p c 1959/61	102 8
4 p c B. P. T.	115 0
5 p c M. Debent.	121 8
6 p c B. P. T.	125 0
3 p.c. 1963/65	102 8
3 p.c. 1966/68	102 8
3 p c 1970/75	102 4
3 p c 1986 New	101 8
3-1/2 p c 1947/50	101 5
4 p c 1960/70	113 15
4 p c 1983 Kar. Mun.	114 0
4 p c 1955/60	117 0
4 p c M. Debenture	115 0
6 p c M. Debenture	123 0

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, March 25

The Board of the Bullion Exchange has decided to call for statements of outstanding business of members but so far nothing is decided about the settlement. The Directors are again meeting this afternon.

There was no forward business in Vaishak Silver as the quotation reached the maximum level. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 164. Vaishak Gold opened at Rs. 101 and fluctuated between Rs. 101/4 and Rs. 100/12. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 103. New York free Silver prices have firmed up as supplies are drying up.

Later on the market were quiet and quotations were as under:

Ready Silver	163	0	0
Vaishakh Delivery	155	10	0
Ready Gold	102	12	0
Vaishakh Delivery	100	12	0

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, March 25

The local cotton market was quietly steady with scattered business. There will be no change in the control of exports of raw cotton as per statement of the Commerce Member. Thus the market is likely to be narrow with little speculative enthusiasm. However occasional spurts are bound to level when the situation becomes oversold.

In the local market May delivery opened to-day at Rs. 436 and after declining at Rs. 435/8 improved at Rs. 436/4 but again quietened at Rs. 435. July business was done at Rs. 450/4.

To-day 500 bales were tendered against March contract making a total of 17,450 bales May delivery was quoted at Rs. 435/4 while July business was done at Rs. 449/4.

The market finally closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:

I C C May	435	6	0
I C C July	449	6	0
I C C Sept.	459	2	0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton May Contract is 1852 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.
BOMBAY, March 24.

	Hi.	Lo.	Closing
May	439-3/4	434-1/4	435-5/8
July	453	448	449-1/4
Sept.	462-3/4	457-1/2	458-3/4
Karachi 4F May	46-15-0	46-12-0	46-13-0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, March 25

The produce market were quietly steady with moderate business. Groundnuts ready were quoted at Rs. 170 per candy on Bazar terms. Khandesh quality receipts were done at Rs 33 while Coromandal and Bold were quoted at Rs 32. Groundnut oil ready Bombay Mills Rs. 20 and April delivery Rs. 19/4.

Castorseeds Ready were quoted at Rs. 154 and May business was done at Rs. 131 plus Rs. 1/2 penalty. Castor Oil was quoted at Rs. 19/4. Ready linseed was placed at Rs. 29 while April/May business was done at Rs. 28. Linseed oil was quoted at Rs. 21.

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES
Bombay, March 25.

MILLS

Apollo 4/10 4/9 4/9/6 4/9
Bharat 55
B. Dyeing 2290 2300 2295 2325 20
C. India 317 15 17 15 17
C. India Pref 700 2/8
E. Textiles 645 52/8
Elphinstone 90
Elphinstone Pref 131/4
Finlay 318 14 22 21
Gokak 317 15 19 18 21
I. U. Defd 3/10 3/9 3/11
I. U. Ord 16/8 16/3 16/5 16/4 16/8 16/7
Indore 630 32/8 25 30 25 27/8
Khatau 320
Kohinoor 730 50 (ex Div).
Meyer 275 77/8 73/12
Madhusudan 462/8
New Great 365 67 62 67 66 72 70
Sholapur 6500
Simplex 319 21 16 20
Swadeshi 640 60 50 54 52
Swan 387
Tata Mills 111

BANKS

Baroda 173 72
Central 129/8 28/8 29 28/8
Imperial Old 2375 85 60
Imperial New 582/8 90 85
India 241 40/8 41
Reserve 122 21 21/8
Union 12/12 13 12/12 13
U. Commercial 89/8 90/8

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 157/8 58/12
Andhra Valley 1570
B. Tram Ord 110 10/8 9 10
B. Tram Pref 52/4
Hydro 186 85 86 83
Hydro Pref 145
Power 1670

INSURANCE

New India 93 92
I. Mercantile 65

STEAMER

B. Steam 572/8 75
Scindhia 32/14 32/8 32/12 32/11 33 32/13

STEEL

B. Steel 29/4 28/8
I. Iron 38/4 37/14 38 36/15 37/2
Tata Defd 2335 25 30 25 40 37/8 40 27/8 40
Tata Ord 428 25 29 27
Tata 2nd Pref 167 66 68

MISCELLANEOUS

A. C. C. Old 183 84 82/8 84/8 83 85 84/8
A. C. C. New 72 72/12 72 73 72
Belapur 256 57 53 57 56 59
B. B. Old 485 75 83/12 77/8 81/4 80
B. B. New 181/4
B. B. Petrol 3/12/6 3/12
I. Bleaching 166 60 65
P. Construction 212 10 14 13
Shivrajpur 41/8
Tata Chemical 17/2 17/6 17
Tata Oil 88 87
Vimco 266/4 67/8 66/14 70 66/4

WALL STREET MARKET

NEW YORK, March 24.

Stocks: The market was very cautious and individual group movements were indecisive with mixed tendencies mostly of fractional losses greatly predominating. Reports that President Truman is meeting congressional leaders to night promoted considerable speculation and resulted in much caution. The week end settlement of the rubber industry dispute was welcome, but at the same time differences in various other important industries are yet to be settled. The averages were 177.35 and 48.87. The market dragged through another dull session in the afternoon showing on balance losses of fraction to one point or more from lack real pressure. The sessation of liquidation and the market's ability to hold above the January low levels seems a favourable near term technical factor. But meanwhile labour uncertainties continue as the principal reasons for discriminating operating policies. Most rails, minings, motors, aviations, tobaccos, electric manufacturings and steels were easier. Steels more or less ignored the forecast of postwar ingot operation of 97 per cent capacity and probable establishment this month of a peacetime production record. Sagging tendencies finally spread to some earlier resistants, notably leading oils, wet stocks, amusements, textile, and buildings, leaving the market with fairly widespread losses of fractions to one point or more. The market closed heavy.

American Telephone and Telegraph	165-1/4
Amerex Holding Co.	30-1/2
Ananconda Copper Mining	38-7/8
Chase National Bank	35-7/8
Sinclair Oil	15-1/2
Firestone Tyre and Rubber Co.	57-3/4
General Electric Co.	35-1/4
General Motors	59-1/4
Ingersol Rand	118 bid
International Nickel	32-1/8
National City Bank of New York	39-5/8
New York Central Rail Road Co.	17-3/4
Socony Vacuum Corporation	14-1/2
Texas Corporation	59-1/4
Union Carbon and Carbide	100
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	49
U. S. Steel Corporation common	72-1/8
Western Union Telegraph	19-7/8

NEW YORK SILVER UP 4-1/2 CENTS.

NEW YORK. March 24. (U. P. A.): The price of silver was today quoted at 77-1/4 cents per ounce, marking an increase 4-1/2 cents from the previous quotation of 72-3/4 cents per ounce.

Silver dealers reported strong local demand—about the same as late last week—and continued shortage of spot offerings. They said that they had not heard of any foreign bidding all day long.

The estimated turnover was between 200,000 to 300,000 ounces.

LONDON DOMESTIC SILVER UP.

LONDON. March 24. (U. P. A.): The price of domestic silver today improved in sympathy with that of New York. Spot was up two pence and quoted at 46 pence per ounce while forward was up 1-3/4 pence and quoted at 45-1/4 pence per ounce.

Trade And Mills Support In N. Y. Cotton Market

PRICES 20 TO 37 POINTS HIGHER

NEW YORK, March 24 (UPA)

Quiet trading featured to-day's session of the New York Cotton Exchange. Prices crept ahead gradually with the strength in grains, other commodities, hides, black pepper, hogs, butter, cottonseed oil and the reassertion of the bullish aspects of the statistical picture. New crop preparations were reported to be three weeks late in some areas and the serious threat of fertilizer shortage was giving birth to ideas that any serious delay in the new crop start will extend the expected pre-harvest shortages well into the next season and make the crop more vulnerable to insect ravages. Expectations of a further rise in the February parity price, the maintenance of a strong price front in the textile mill level despite talk of resistance in finished fabrics and a sustained rate in mill consumption lent emphasis to bullish comments.

FEBRUARY CONSUMPTION

The Census Bureau reported that cotton spinning in February was operated at 125.6 per cent of the capacity on a two-shift eight-hour week basis compared with only 123.3 per cent in January.

The New York Cotton Exchange today estimated that probably the carry over next July would be under 3,000,000 bales—the lowest in 18 years—compared to 7,500,000 bales carried over during the present season. The Exchange said that if the consumption during the last five months of the season showed no more than normal, a seasonal loss in the full season's mill offtake of around 10,350,000 bales is considered to be in prospect. It said that exports may exceed 3,500,000 bales.

To-day's session opened one to seven higher. Prices trended up thereafter with outside markets scoring maximum gains of 30 to 46 points. The tendency was stubbornly resisted by the final flurry of technical realizing and hedge selling, closing 20 to 37 higher.

CROP PREPARATIONS

Messrs. Weil Brothers, a leading spot cotton firm, said that soil preparations had been retarded in the last fortnight in rain grown sections because of snow, sleet and excessive rains, but conditions were normal in irrigated sections. Little progress has been made in North and West Texas and only a few scattered points have reported work up to the normal. Farm labour was reported to be in adequate supply but expensive. Well Bros. said that the delivery of new machinery was slow, but that old equipment was in good repair and thus there were far few insufficiencies. They concluded: "The carry-over at the end of the season promises even smaller than anticipated. For both the shipper and the mill, the problem of supply may then be difficult."

Part of to-day's buying was done in anticipation of acceptances of offerings of 20,000 bales of raw cotton by UNRRA for shipment to China. Local and New Orleans professionals who were the recent stiffest opposers to advances are now said to be losing heart and utilizing small setbacks to cover.

BRITISH BUYING

The British Cotton Control was reported to be cautious on new purchases of raw cotton for the next few months. The slow-down was coupled with the sharp decline in consumption in British mills as the outgrowth of the coal strike. Mills are estimated to be using only 15,000 bales weekly compared with 35,000 before the fuel crisis. Meanwhile, purchases by the Control were said to be confined to moderate amounts of Indian cotton.

Scepticism about the world-wide production outlook increased with the delayed start of the domestic crop plus pessimistic accounts regarding the status of the Brazilian crop and the limitations impose on the Indian cotton acreage to grow more food crops. Traders said that the last season's reduction in Bombay Province alone was necessitating heavy imports of cottonseed and cattle feeds. Indian dealers were reported to be seeking 125,000 tons of cotton seed in Portuguese East Africa.

INDIAN SURPLUS

But, despite the cut in the cotton acreage, it was said that the Indian Government still has a large surplus of raw cotton and that the Government was further reported to be planning the dispatch of a delegation to Japan to find a market for part of the surplus.

Traders expressed the opinion that the market is entitled to some technical setback after four days of rising prices, but the fundamentally strong statistical position would give a dominant influence and is considered to be indicative of eventually higher prices.

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York, March 24.

May	35.13+21
May highest	35.37+38
May lowest	35.00+01
July	33.65+37
October	30.53+33
December	29.60+20
January	29.39+20
March	29.15+20
Middling Spot	36.39+28

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.
New York, March 24.

Moy	35.13+21
July	33.60+34
October	30.35+20
December	29.48+15
March	29.02+20
Middling Spot	35.50+30

CHICAGO WHEAT.
CHICAGO. March 24

May 2.68-1/2 to 2.68-1/4.
July 2.32-1/4 to 2.32.
September 2.22 to 2.22.
December 2.18 to 2.18.

LONDON PEPPER PRICES

LONDON. March 24 (UPA). The following were prices of pepper on the London market today:

White pepper	2/6
Black	2/3

Business was light.

NEW YORK SEEDS

NEW YORK, March 24 (UPA.) The following were closing prices of seeds on the New York market today:

Lampong	56 cents.
Muntok	57 cents.
Castor old crop	dol. 270
Castor new crop	dol. 245.
Cotton seed	dol. 90—dol 110
Flaxseed	dol. 85
Linseed	38.5 to 39.00
Peanuts	21.12—22.

Foreign Exchange Regulation

NEW DELHI, March 24, (A. P. I.): A press note says: the attention of the public is drawn to the fact that the foreign exchange regulation Act, 1947, (VII of 1947) comes into force on March 25, 1947. This act continues the foreign exchange regulations that were formerly covered by the Defence of India rules and subsequently by the emergency provisions (continuance) ordinance, 1946, with slight modifications to suit changed conditions. Banks previously authorised to deal in foreign currences will continue to do so and the general public should continue to conduct all transactions in foreign exchange through their medium.

Notifications have been issued so as to permit transactions to be carried on freely with sterling area countries as heretofore and to continue the limits and restrictions under which the export and import of currency notes, bullion and jewellery may be made. Licences which have already been issued by the Reserve Bank of India in this behalf, may be treated as valid for the period stated.

INDIAN WHEAT CROP.

CALCUTTA, March 24, (A. P. I.): The acreage under wheat in India during 1946/47 will be one per cent less than that of the previous year according to the first All-India Wheat Forecast, issued today the Department of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics.

In 1946/47, the area is estimated to be 34,127,000 acres against 34,529,000 in 1945/46.

The forecast is based on information up to the end of December, 1946, or beginning of January 1947. The condition of the crop then appeared to be fairly good on the whole.

REMITTANCE FACILITY IN BURMA WITHDRAWN.

BOMBAY, March 25.

A press communique issued by the Reserve Bank of India stated that, in view of the termination of the monetary arrangements with Burma under the India and Buram (Burma montary arrangements) order, 1937 and of the closing of the Reserve Bank of India in Burma on the 31st March 1947, the remittance facilities at present available between India and Burma under the Reserve Bank of India "scheme of remittance facilities" will be withdrawn wth effect from 1st April 1947.

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. Two Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 25th March 1947. Total amount offered was Rs. 50,25,000—(Rupees fifty lakhs and twenty-five thousand only.) Tenders at Rs. 99-14-3 were accepted in full. Total amount accepted was Rs. 50,25,000—(rupees fifty lakhs and twenty-five thousand only), the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0-7-0 per cent per annum.

2. Tenders for Rs. Two Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 1st April 1947 upto 11 a.m. at Bombay and upto the close of business on Monday, the 31st March 1947 at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Thursday, the 3rd April 1947. Other conditions are as usual.

3. During the week ended the 21st March 1947, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 8,90,00,000—(Rupees eight crores and ninety lakhs only) were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

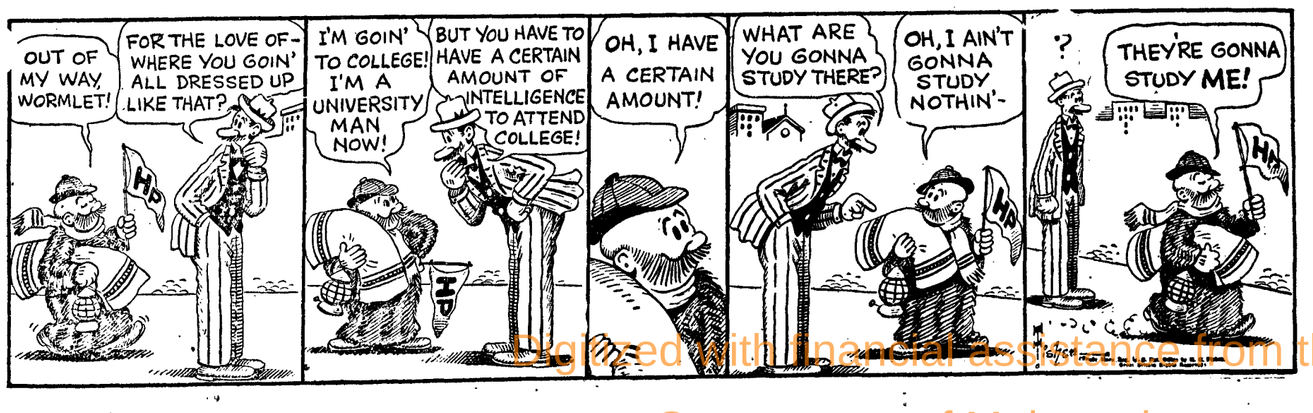
NEW YORK PEPPER FUTURES

NEW YORK, March 24. (U.P.A.) Pepper futures closed unchanged to 200 points higher with sales of four contracts. September and October rose to the full permissible two cent limit. Traders reported that there had been no shipments from the Netherlands East Indies since the war ended except for supplies smuggled to Singapore for export to the U. S. and Europe.

Closing prices included:

March	53 nom.
May	52 nom.
July	50 asked.
September and October	43.
December and January	45 asked.

MUTT AND JEFF—Maybe There's A Shortage Of Guinea Pigs This Season — By BUD FISHER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FOR THE LOVE OF— WHERE YOU GOIN' ALL DRESSED UP LIKE THAT?
I'M GOIN' TO COLLEGE! I'M A UNIVERSITY MAN NOW!
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OH, I HAVE A CERTAIN AMOUNT!
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Wanted: An experienced Honours Graduate preferably with knowledge of accounts for a post of Secretary in the Mills office at Ahmedabad. Knowledge of Gujarati esssential. Applications will be treated as confidential. Apply stating experience and salary expected to Agents, Asarwa Mills Ltd., 12, Bell Lane, Fort, Bombay 1.
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Wanted Immediately A Circulation Manager for an Illustrated Weekly in Bombay. Persons with experience of similar job in a Weekly or Daily need only apply stating minimum salary acceptable to Box No. 2659A, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Bombay's Weekly Commercial Magazine "The Bombay Market" (a Guide Where To Buy In Bombay) Price Rs. 1|8|- per copy. Yearly Rs. 48|-. Write to Agarwal Publishing Co., 428, Kalbadevi Road, Bombay. (5285)

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PROPERTIES FOR SALE

On Chembur Station 75,000 yards plots to be sold. Apply Saifu Timber Mart, Jacob Circle, Near Shirin Talkies. (5310)

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For Sale: Lease|Lend Ford V8 Trucks in good condition with excellent tyres & Batteries, Public Carrier Permit, Insurance Cover One year, On cash or instalment system. Vehicles on view at Plot Nos. 536|537 Seventeenth Road, Khar. Those interested communicate with Automobiles Corporation, Marwadi Vidyalaya Building, Sandhurst Road, Bombay, 4. Telephone 43917 or 89153. (5322)

PUBLIC NOTICES

M.S.M. AND S.I. RAILWAYS JOINT SERVICE COMMISSION, MADRAS

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following posts on the M.S.M. Railway. Appointments are temporary for the present:—

APPRENTICE SIGNAL & INTERLOCKING INSPECTORS: 2 Posts; one Non-Brahmin and the other, Indian Xian, Parsee or Sikh. Pay Rs. 50/- (fixed). QUALIFICATION—Passed S.S.L.C. or equivalent. Proficiency in mathematics essential. AGE—Between 18 and 22 years on 1-4-1947.

SUB-ASST. SURGEON: 1 Post. Pay Rs. 76/- per mensem in scale Rs. 76-4-80-5-120. QUALIFICATIONS—Medical Graduates, D.M.S. or Licentiate Medical Practitioners. AGE——Not more than 30 years on 1-4-1947.

COMPOUNDERS: 2 Posts. Pay Rs. 31/- (fixed). AGE—Not more than 25 years on 1-4-1947. Applicants should be qualified Compounders.

2. In addition to pay, dearness allowance under the rules and an interim relief of Rs. 4-8-0 per mensem (for so long as it is sanctioned) will be admissible.

3. Applications should be made on the prescribed form obtainable at a cost of Re. 1/- from the Secretary, M.S.M. and S.I. Railways Joint Service Commission, 53 G. Koil Street, Vepery, Madras 7, by writing to him by post enclosing a sufficiently stamped self-addressed envelope and a crossed Indian Postal Order for one rupee payable to the Paymaster and Cashier, M.S.M. Railway, Madras. In the case of Scheduled Caste Candidates, application forms will be sent on receipt of postage stamps to the value of annas four.

4. No request for an application form will be entertained unless the above instructions are observed. Applications after being duly filled in should be sent by post to the Secretary on or before 20-4-1947.

5. The applicant should specify in the application form the category for which he is applying and the reference to advertisement No. JSC/47/Adv. 3.
2636

NOTICE

WANTED one ASSISTANT ENGINEER on Rs. 250 plus 150 consolidated allowance, one Overseer on Rs. 150 plus 60 consolidated allowance and one Assistant Draftsman on Rs. 75 temporarily for Road Construction Work. Apply stating age, nationality, qualifications, experience, etc., before 10th April, 1947 to:—

The Manager & Engineer-in-Chief,
Bhavnagar State Railway,
BHAVNAGAR PARA.
2657

NOTICE

I, THE UNDERSIGNED hereby give notice to the public that my son BOMI alias BOMONSHAW PESTONJI GUZDAR has on the 9th March, 1947, left my protection. If he takes delivery of the goods in my name or if he incurs any debt, nobody should pay him. If anybody shall in spite of this notice advances monies or deals with him in any way then the undersigned will not be liable or responsible in any way.

(Sd.) PESTONJI DINSHAWJI GUZDAR,
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5335

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Refined Camphor Powder and Camphor Cubes are available at competitive prices. Also Bell Brand sewing needles size 1|5 available for export to any country. Write for your requirements to: The Far Eastern Syndicate, Ltd., 60, Forbes Street, Fort, Bombay. (5311)

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REMOVAL NOTICE

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF VEHICLES & ANIMALS

MUNICIPAL WHEEL TAX for the first quarter of the year 1947-48 (April to June, 1947) falls due on 1st APRIL 1947. Owners of motor vehicles are requested to pay the tax to the Ward Inspectors of the Assessment and Collection Department or to send the amount direct to the Assessor and Collector at the Municipal Head Office, Fort, Bombay.

The following instructions are published for the information of the public:—

(1) Under Section 188(1) of the Municipal Act, a notice is required to be given to the Municipality within fifteen days after a person has become 'the owner', or has obtained possession or control of a vehicle or animal.

(2) Under Section 188(2), every person, who ceases to own or have possession of any vehicle (or animal), is required to give immediate notice to avoid LIABILITY for the continued payment of the tax.

(3) A REFUND of the tax paid is admissible under certain circumstances, specified in Section 190 of the Act, provided due notice has been given of the occurrence of the event, and an application claiming refund is made (Section 191).

As the liability to pay wheel tax goes with the possession of the vehicle, intending purchasers of motor vehicles would do well to verify BEFORE PURCHASE WHETHER MUNICIPAL WHEEL TAX ON THE VEHICLES HAS BEEN PAID UP-TO-DATE.

Owners of HAND-CARTS and BULLOCK CARTS, who are likewise liable to the tax, are requested to pay the tax to the authorities named above, and to obtain number plates in token of the payment.

Bombay, 26th March, 1947.
B. K. PATEL,
Municipal Commissioner.
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NOTICE

WANTED for the S. B. Garda College, Navsari, (1) a Lecturer or Professor in French, (2) a Lecturer or Professor in Philosophy, (3) a Lecturer or Professor in English, (4) a Lecturer or Professor of Mathematics and (5) a Professor of Chemistry, all from 20th June 1947. Lecturer's grade Rs. 100-10/2-150, Professor's grade Rs. 150-20/2-250 or 250-25/2-400; minimum qualification I class B.A. and atleast II class M.A. and I class B.Sc. and M.Sc.; higher grade possible for Ph.Ds., preferably from a foreign University or for applicants with substantial experience of teaching in a college: Appointments on probation for a year in the first instance; Provident Fund as per University rules. Applicants serving in colleges should apply through their head. Apply before 20th April to Principal A. K. TRIVEDI.
Navsari.
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EAST INDIAN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

Special Item Costing Over Rs. 5000|- Class I Contract.

SEALED TENDERS ARE invited for the following and will be received in the Office of the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, 105, Clive Street, Calcutta, on or before 12 O'Clock noon on the 21st April, 1947.

Tender No. S|SP|Eal|BM'34|A for the supply of 2570 Nos. of Gauge Column Protector Glass as per drawing No. BM-34 modification 1.

Tender forms with full particulars can be had from the Office of the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, 105, Clive Street, Calcutta on payment of Rs. 2|- per copy, to the Treasurer, East Indian Railway, 105, Clive Street, Calcutta and on production of his receipt when applying for the same.

Firms outside Calcutta may, however, remit the amount to the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, Calcutta, direct by money order. Once these documents are issued, no refund is permissible.

CONTROLLER OF STORES.
(2666)

BENGAL NAGPUR RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the following and will be received in Controller of Stores Office, Bengal Nagpur Railway, Kidderpore, Calcutta, before 12 Noon on 17-4-47.

Tender No. CS|O|355 CS for Showels Round Nose 'T' Handled.

Tender forms with full particulars can be had from the Office of the Controller of Stores, Bengal Nagpur Railway, Kidderpore, Calcutta on payment of Rs. 3|- per copy to the Cashier, Bengal Nagpur Railway, Kidderpore, Calcutta, and on production of his receipt when applying for the same.

Firms outside Calcutta may, however, remit the amount to the Controller of Stores, direct by Money Order. No refund is permissible after payment.

CONTROLLER OF STORES.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

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NOTICE

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Sir PHEROZESHAH MEHTA GARDEN at Malabar Hill will be CLOSED to the Public on FRIDAY the 28th March, 1947.

By order of the
MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER.
for the City of Bombay.
(Sd.) B. P. SURTI,
Ag. Hydraulic Engineer.
Bombay, 24th March, 1947.
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(Sd.) L. S. VAIDYANATHAN,
Manager.
5330

G.I.P. RLY.—TENDERS

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(2669)

BENGAL NAGPUR RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the following and will be received in General Manager's Office, Bengal Nagpur Railway, Kidderpore, Calcutta, before 12 Noon on the 16th April, 1947.

Tender No. GM 7|47|M 200 for the conversion of Scrap Gun Metal Borings mixed with White Metal.

Tender Forms with full particulars can be had from the Office of the Controller of Stores, Bengal Nagpur Railway, Kidderpore, Calcutta on payment of Rs. 3|- per copy to the Cashier, Bengal Nagpur Railway, Kidderpore, Calcutta, and on production of his receipt when applying for same.

Firms outside Calcutta, may however, remit the amount to the Controller of Stores direct by Money Order. No refund is permissible after payment.

Sealed Tenders delivered by hand should be presented for registration in the General Manager's Office and then put into the Tender Box outside the Deputy General Manager's (Works) room by the Tenderer or his representative.

GENERAL MANAGER.
(2668)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mrs. AIMAI DADABHOY DORABJI PUDUMJEE and Mr. DORAB DADABHOY DORABJI PUDUMJEE have agreed to sell the undermentioned property. All persons having or claiming any right or interest whatsoever to or in the said property are hereby requested to notify the same to us at our office in Esplanade House, Waudby Road, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, failing which the sale will be completed without regard to any such right or interest, and the same will be deemed to have been waived.

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Dated this 25th day of March, 1947.

PAYNE & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
(2682)

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

Insolvency No. 30 of 1947.

Re: Messrs. I. S. SHAIKH, a firm carrying on business at Dockyard Road, Mazagaon, outside the Fort of Bombay: ..... Debtors.

Ex parte: Messrs. JAWANMAL HIRACHAND & CO., ... Petitioning Creditors

On the Petition of the abovenamed Petitioning Creditors presented on the 14th day of March 1947 an order was made on the 18th day of March 1947 by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtors Insolvents.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1947.

SAROSH H. A. VAKIL,
Insolvency Registrar
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PUBLIC NOTICES

UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Engineering Examinations which had been postponed, owing to unforeseen causes WILL BE HELD on and from the following dates:—

F.E. & B.E. Examinations commencing on 21st April, 1947,
and
S. E. Examination commencing on 26th April, 1947.

S. R. DONGERKERY,
University Registrar.
Bombay, 24th March, 1947.
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AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION SALE OF 40 CHEVROLET MOTOR TRUCK ENGINES, Model 1944, Batteries, Flash lights, Manilla ropes, Hudson Touring Car 7 Seater, 26 H.P., One Fiat Touring Car 6 H.P. 4 cylinders, etc., on SATURDAY, 29TH INST. at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at compound of Sheth Pallon Sojpal Chawl, Portuguese Church Street, Dadar, (B.B.) under instructions from the party concerned.

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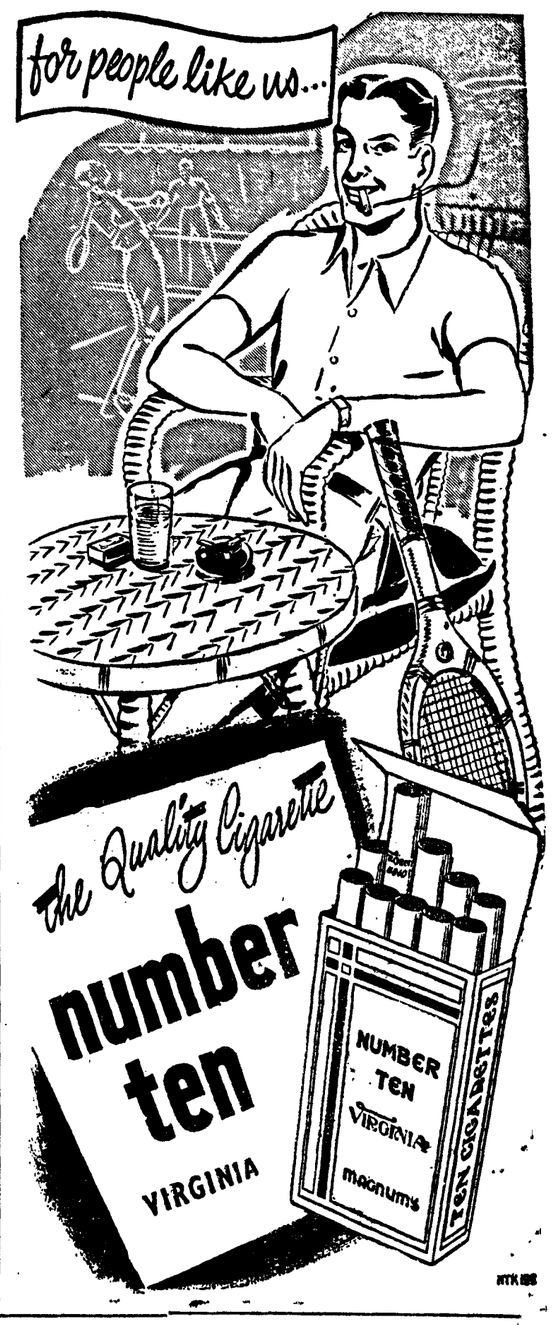

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